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Northern Michigan under Fire Weather Warning

by Ian Van Walleghem
Staff Writer

The National Weather Service (NWS) has issued a Fire Weather Warning for at least the next five days for all of northern lower Michigan.

A warning is issued when soil conditions become extremely dry, relative humidity is very low, vegetation is dry, and windy conditions exist.

Outdoor burning is highly discouraged during this time and no fire should be left unattended or left to burn itself out. Be sure to fully extinguish all fires.

The date that fire weather season begins is based on the amount of snowfall during the previous winter and the amount of rainfall during the previous autumn. From this information the amount of ground moisture retention is figured.

The first grass fires in northern lower Michigan are highly dependent on how fast the snow melts across the region.

Fire officials based at the United States Forest Service (USFS) in Mio and Baldwin decide the official starting date of fire weather season in northern Michigan.

The Gaylord NWS works closely with the USFS during the fire weather season and winter months, to maintain communication throughout the year.

During the spring, summer, and fall months, the two groups keep up-to-date on current weather patterns and any expected changes to ensure fire potential awareness.

The National Weather Service issues a daily Fire Weather Forecast at 6:30 a.m. and 4 p.m. to supply USFS fire fighters with the most accurate weather information.

Trout opener 'one of best' in recent years

by Caleb Casey
Staff Writer

Crawford County waterways saw plenty of action this past weekend, as anglers took to area rivers and streams during the opening weekend of trout fishing.

This year's first weekend of trout season marked one of the best (and earliest) season openers in recent years. The first day of trout season, which falls on the last Saturday of April every year, came on the earliest possible date in 1999 (April 24).

"This was one of the best trout openers in at least eight to ten years," said Steve Southard of Ray's AuSable and Manistee Canoeing.

Bob Smock, longtime Grayling resident and fly-fishing expert, agreed.

"This place was loaded with fishermen," said Smock. "Almost everyone out there fishing caught fish. Weather wise and fishing wise, it was just a great weekend."

Smock said the combination of great weather and good hatching conditions resulted in a "fantastic" opening weekend of trout season in Grayling, "The Trout Fishing Capital of the Eastern United States."

Caddis and blue wing hatches were both on, as well as the Hendrickson hatch.

"The Hendrickson hatch is usually over before trout season starts," said Smock, "but this year it worked out."

Trout season will continue in most area rivers until October 31.

Golnick to remain on Housing Commission

by Cheryll Ruley
Staff Writer

Robert Golnick was re-appointed to the Crawford County Housing Commission on April 14.

The reappointment came at the most recent County Board meeting and the vote was unanimous after a discussion of Golnick's past good performance for the Housing

Commission.

Golnick, whose new term will expire on April 15, 2004, conveyed to the Board his continued interest to serve, and was endorsed by the Housing Commission Board.

Also applying for the seat on the Housing Commission were Gaye Pizzi, Dennis Kaiser, and Robert McLachlan.

Grayling Pride Day is May 6

The tradition of spring cleaning continues with Grayling Pride Day 1999 on Thursday, May 6.

The Grayling Promotional Association (GPA), with the cooperation of the AuSable Primary and Grayling Elementary Schools, is looking for the support of the community by helping to clean up Grayling.

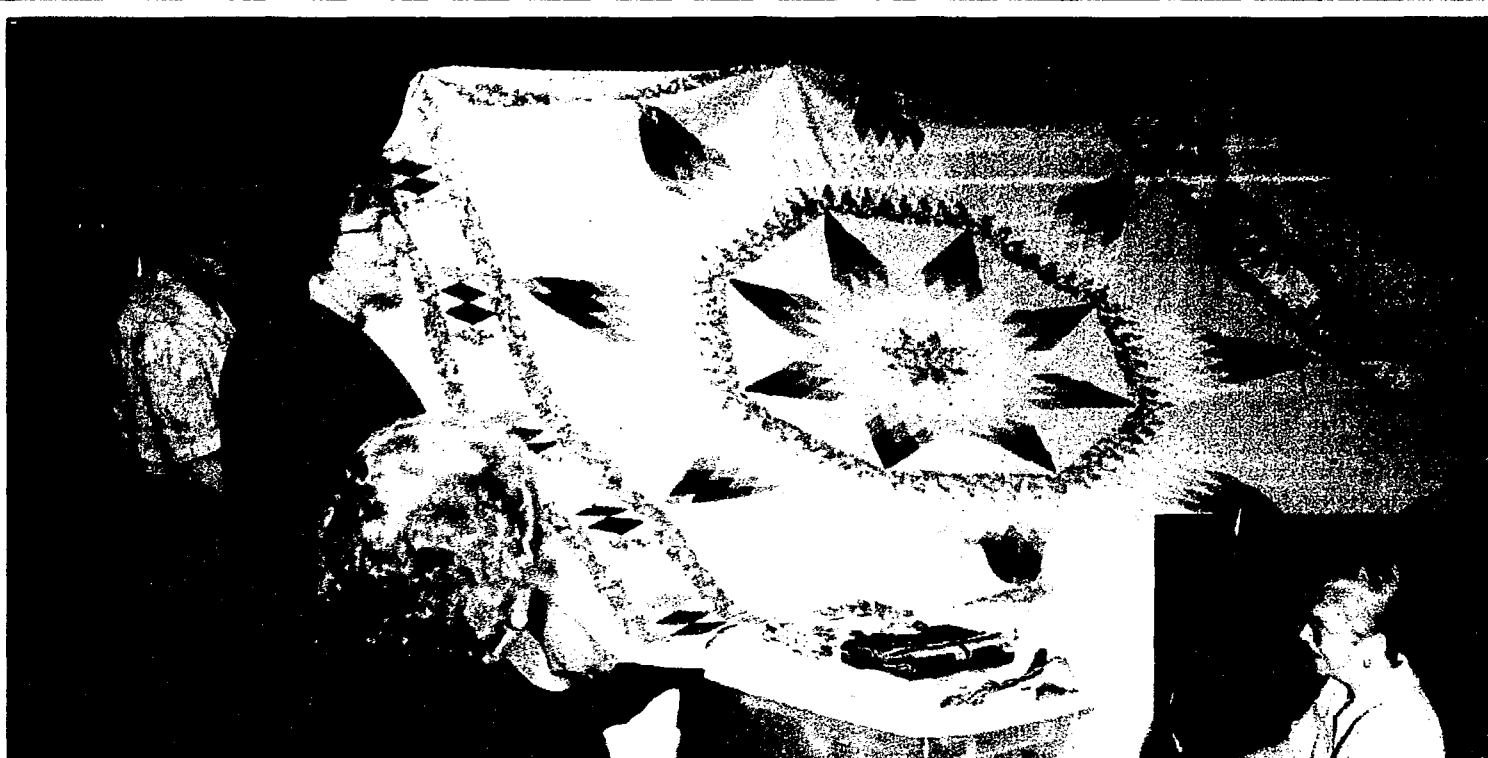
"Now that the snow has melted, it is easy to see that this clean-up effort is necessary," said Marianne Gosnell, President of GPA.

Brooms, shovels, orange vests, and garbage bags will be provided to all who volunteer for the clean-up.

To help identify and coordinate what areas need attention, a map is available at the Grayling Regional Chamber of Commerce office for pick up.



GPA invites everyone to show community spirit and join them in the clean-up effort from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m. Pop and chips will be provided. For more information, please call the Chamber at 348-2921.



QUILTING BEE - The AuSable Quilt Guild invited their members and quilters from other groups around Michigan to participate in a fund raiser for the Crawford County chapter of Habitat for Humanity on Saturday, April 24. Many quilted wall hangings were up for bids with all the proceeds going toward building another home for a deserving family. (Above) Quilters shared stories about their cozy works of art. (Right) Jan Weissenborn of Grayling stitches a snowman quilt while enjoying the stories at the Quilt-In.

Photos by Cheryll Ruley

Board agrees to form county audit committee

by Cheryll Ruley
Staff Writer

In his April 14 report to the Crawford County Board of Commissioners, Controller Paul Compo proposed that an Audit Committee be formed in order to expedite County-based audits more efficiently in the future.

Compo's proposal, dated April 12, states the 1998 Report to Management financial audit prepared by auditing firm Anderson, Tackman and Associates, recommends the formation of an Audit Committee for reporting purposes.

By forming the committee, the auditors would have a committee to which they can report findings, problems, errors, or irregularities when discovered.

"The county would benefit from forming an audit committee to deal with any audit issues at the time they may arise," said Compo.

"Forming the committee will improve our audits and improve our fiscal responsibility," he added.

According to the proposal, the committee would include the Chair of the Ways and Means Committee Beth Wieland, Treasurer Joe

Wakeley, and Controller Compo. In the case of an absence of a member at a required meeting, Chair for the

"The county would benefit from an audit committee."

County Controller
Paul Compo

Crawford County Board of Commissioners, Lynnette Corlew, would serve as the alternate.

Discussion by the Board then took place on the merits of having an official committee to which the auditors may report on a more timely basis rather than only at monthly Board meetings.

Compo stated an audit committee would add even more structure to the County's financial management.

The Board voted 6-0 to form the Crawford County Audit Committee as proposed.

By forming the committee, the Board cleared up one of the "reportable conditions" contained in the 1998 Report to Management.

County considers health care policy for future retirees

by Cheryll Ruley
Staff Writer

In a continuing effort to look for ways to trim the fat from their budget, Crawford County Controller Paul Compo recently presented to the Board of Commissioners a proposed policy statement limiting how employee health care benefits would be paid for upon retirement in the future.

The proposed policy states all health care benefits previously provided to County employees would terminate on the date of separation

from employment.

The policy would apply to all County employees unless the benefits had been provided through a bargaining unit agreement or other contractual agreement.

A "no cost to Crawford County" option to continue health care benefits could be arranged if the employee pays the County in advance, on a monthly basis, for all their premium expenses.

According to the statement, the County would reserve the right to end the agreement if payments fall

behind for 60 days and the Controller would have the duty of collecting on any unpaid premium dollars.

The proposed policy's final paragraph states, "This policy is being implemented in the interest of fiscal responsibility and fairness to all those employees who have had the privilege of serving our community."

The policy will be presented for discussion and consideration at the Personnel and Labor Committee meeting scheduled for May 12, led by Committee Chairperson Shelley

Pinkelman.

County Clerk/Register of Deeds Sandra Moore said county employees have one of the best health care plans around. Retiring employees would be able to continue enjoying those benefits at group rates if they choose to participate in the reimbursement plan.

When asked how the County would benefit by the proposed policy, Moore said, "It would protect the County from entering into agreements that could financially burden us in the future."

State police take precautions in arrest of wanted felon

by Cheryll Ruley
Staff Writer

Responding to a tip received by the Roscommon County Sheriff Department, Michigan State Police (MSP) called out their Emergency Support Team (EST) after noon on April 23 to help capture a man wanted on several warrants in the Boyne City area, including firearms possession.

An MSP spokesperson said the EST was called as a precautionary measure because the residence he was hiding in near Fletcher and South Grayling Road in Beaver Creek Township possibly contained firearms.

The man was identified as white, possibly in his 30's and from the Cadillac area. The man was arrested and lodged in the Crawford County Jail where he awaits arraignment.

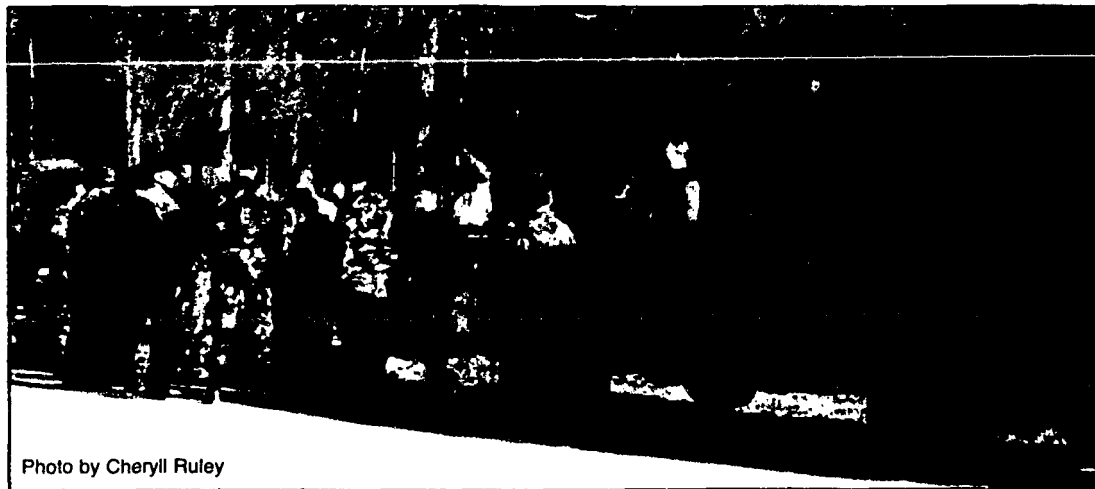


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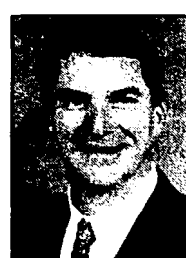
SUPPORT TEAM - Members of the Michigan State Police Emergency Support Team responded to a call for a possible barricaded gunman in Beaver Creek last week. The suspect, wanted on outstanding felony warrants, surrendered without incident while the home he was hiding in was surrounded by members of several law enforcement agencies, including Crawford deputies.

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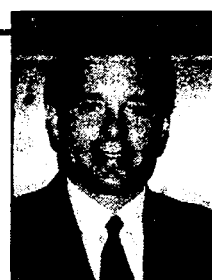
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Benefit basketball game planned for cancer victim

by Cheryl Ruley
Staff Writer

One look at the face of 13-year-old Grayling Middle School student, Ashley Morgan, and you'll know you're looking at a fighter.

Morgan has been battling the advanced stages of Hodgkins Disease, a form of cancer that effects the immune system. Morgan recently underwent what her aunt, Charlotte Fairbotham, says is a successful bone marrow

transplant at Mott's Children's Hospital in Ann Arbor.

"She is one of the strongest people I know," Fairbotham said. "She believes with all her heart that she is going to beat this thing."

Getting the right treatment for Morgan has been financially devastating to her parents, Eric and Paula Waite of Frederic. She has undergone two sets of chemotherapy treatments and five to six weeks of radiation sessions. Travel and lodging has also taken a bite out of the family budget.

Realizing the financial stress put on the Waites, Fairbotham has begun to organize a benefit basketball game between members of the Grayling medical community and TV 9&10 personnel.

The game will be played at 7:30 p.m., on May 15 in the Grayling Middle School gym. Doors will open about an hour before the game in order to hold 50/50 and other raffles. Prizes are being donated by local businesses and more are needed.

Anyone wishing to help out in any way, either with their time, manpower, or a raffle donation, may call Fairbotham at 348-1145.

Monetary donations can be made out to: Ashley Morgan Fund, and mailed: C/O Charlotte Fairbotham,

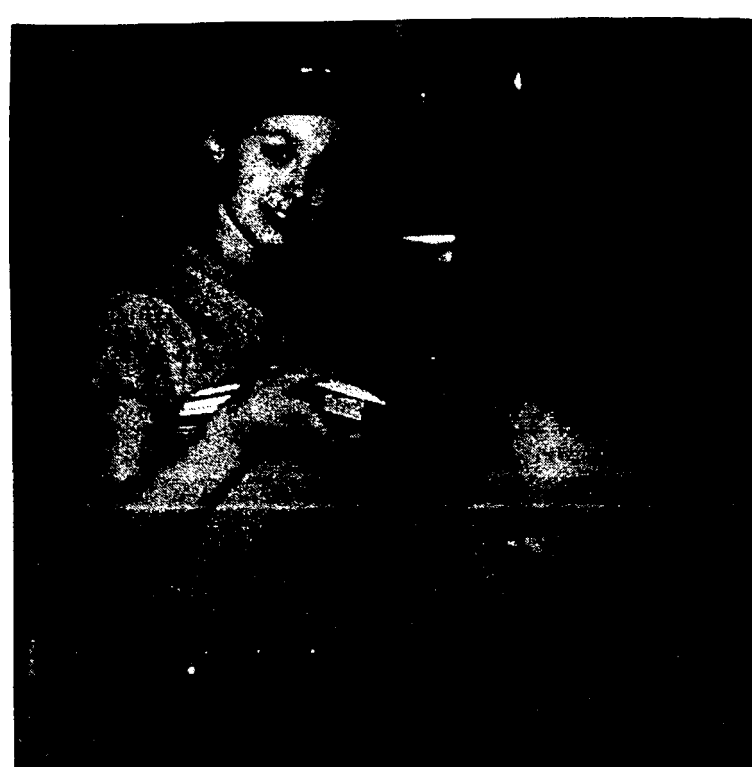


Photo courtesy of Charlotte Fairbotham

TAKE IT ALL OFF - Ashley Morgan gives her friend Will Fairbotham a close shave after agreeing to voluntary baldness in the event Ashley lost her hair as a side effect of cancer treatment. A total of four young people 'went bald' to support her.

1051 Headquarters Road, account set up in Morgan's name at Grayling, MI 49738. North Central Credit Union in Grayling.

Bicycle Safety Rodeo planned

Crawford County Sheriff David G. Lovely announced that his department, along with the Grayling City Police and the Crawford AuSable School District, will conduct the second annual Bicycle Safety Rodeo on May 8.

The Bicycle Safety Rodeo is for children in kindergarten through fifth grade and will be held at the AuSable Primary School from 12 noon to 3 p.m. that day.

Rodeo activities will include an obstacle course, "Rules of the road" instruction with hands on practice, and free bicycle safety inspection by trained personnel.

As a community safety initiative, the first 300 successful participants of the Rodeo will receive a free bicycle helmet.

Two new bicycles will be given away at the rodeo. They were donated by Grayling High School and Grayling Middle School.

For more information or to register, contact Deputy Shawn M. Krayces at (517) 348-4616, ext. 333 or Tina Bassett at (517) 344-3214.

City Council prepares for DDA public hearing

by Caleb Casey
Staff Writer

The Grayling City Council passed a resolution of intent with regards to forming a Downtown Development Authority (DDA) on Monday, April 26, with a unanimous vote.

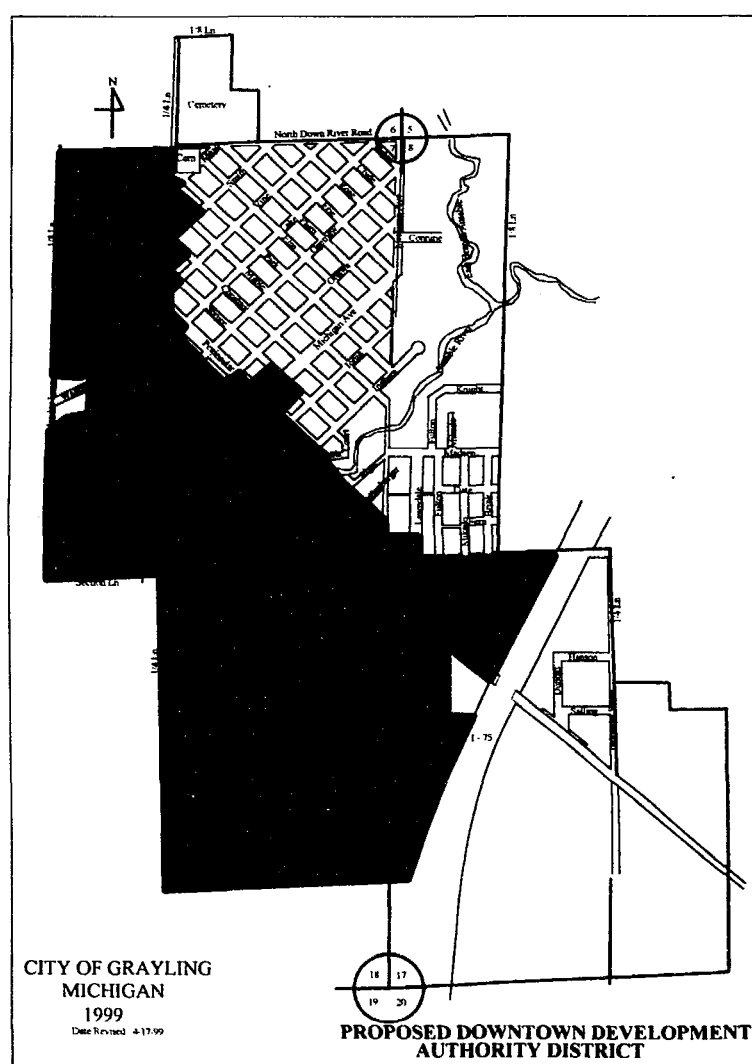
The resolution is one of the requirements for holding a public hearing on the matter, which the council has scheduled for Monday, May 24.

The resolution contains language describing the DDA, a provision for advertising and posting notice for the hearing, and a proposed boundary (represented by shaded area of map at right) for the district.

All property owners within the proposed district as well as area taxing authorities will be notified of the hearing date by mail, and 20 notices will be posted "in conspicuous places" within the district.

Notification will include a copy of the proposed district map (shown at right) and the resolution of intent.

At the hearing, property owners, taxing authority representatives, and other interested parties will have the opportunity to give feedback regarding the DDA and its proposed boundaries, and the City Council will vote on a "resolution of establishment" for the DDA.



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New chamber director hopes to put Grayling 'on the map'

by Cheryl Ruley
Staff Writer

The Grayling Regional Chamber of Commerce will have a new director as of May 1. The Chamber Board hired Angela Barnes, of Gaylord, to fill the position that Lynn Porritt-McConnell will be leaving on April 30.

Porritt-McConnell announced her resignation early this month after deciding to pursue other interests and opportunities, as well as enjoy husband, Col. Gary McConnell's last year of service as Camp Grayling's Commanding Officer and the last of his National Guard career.

Barnes was born in Goa, India but was raised in Kuwait. She moved to the United States to receive her formal education at Northwood University in Florida where she earned a Masters Degree in Business Administration at the Richard DeVos Business

Institute.

She has lived in Michigan for five years, moving from Midland to Gaylord in November when her husband's job was transferred north. They are expecting their first child in September.

Barnes has extensive experience in business and marketing strategy through her work with Jack Nicholas' company Golden Bear, as well as in hotel and restaurant management.

"I'd like to put Grayling on the map," the new director said. "My husband and I used to come up here to enjoy canoeing. I had never heard of Grayling before that."

Barnes said she would like to help market more extensively the existing outdoor activities by way of effective marketing. She said she looks forward to bringing new business and new employment to the Grayling area.



Photo by Cheryl Ruley

NEW DIRECTOR — Angela Barnes of Gaylord has been hired by the Grayling Regional Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors to the position of Chamber Director. Barnes replaces Lynn Porritt-McConnell as of May 1.

Growing subsidy one cause of KCC Nursing Center closure

Acting on the recommendation of the school's administrators, Kirtland Community College's Board of Trustees, at its March 11 meeting voted to close the Nurse Managed Health Center on June 30.

Kirtland President, Dr. Dorothy N. Franke said the reasons for the closure include "the difficulty in reaching as many members of the target group of critically medically under-served rural area residents as desired; the proliferation of other healthcare facilities in the area; and, the growing subsidy required to operate the Center."

"From the beginning," said Franke, "the goal of the Center was to serve students, college employees and most of all, area residents who might not be able to afford health services elsewhere. Reaching those residents, building faith in our service, and contending with transportation to the campus, were problems which were going to take longer than we may have anticipated."

"Also, when the idea for the Center was proposed, there were very few similar clinics in the area; now there are several. We knew the Center would require subsidy during its initial years of operation, however, because of the reasons stated above, it became apparent that the College could not continue the degree of subsidization necessary."

The Center opened its doors to the public Monday, October 20, 1997. It was operated in affiliation with

Mercy Health Services North, Grayling, with focus on health maintenance and disease prevention. Douglas Slater, MD, Mercy Primary Care Associates at the time was the Center's first medical director. In October, 1998, Dr. Kevin Denlinger, D.O. was appointed director.

The facility has been operated on a day-to-day basis by nurse practitioners.

Franke said the Center's building on Campus Drive, will be put to good use with special clinical training projects for College's Health Occupations programs.

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Job program grant monies help local youths 'at risk'

by Ian Van Walleghem
Staff Writer

The Work Force Development Board, in conjunction with the Northeast Michigan Consortium, has announced grants for this summer, funded by the Job Training Partnership Act (JTPA).

These job programs will provide employment and training activities for eligible youth between the ages of 14-21 in Alcona, Alpena, Cheboygan, Crawford, Montmorency, Oscoda, Otsego, and Presque Isle counties.

This year, grants have been awarded to the COOR (Crawford, Oscoda, Ogemaw, Roscommon) Intermediate School District, in the amount of \$91,282 for Crawford and Oscoda counties.

According to Dick Coulter, Vocational Technical Educational Director, "Thirty 14-15 year old children will go to an exploration program at the Kirtland Community College campus and twenty 16-21 year olds will be a part of the JTPA Act, working for non-profit employers."

The 14-15 year olds can earn up to \$498 with the program lasting 21 days. The 16-21 year olds earn \$5.15 per hour, working 35 hours per week for eight weeks.

River House plans candlelight vigil

River House Shelter and the Women's Resource Center - Grand Traverse Area, in Traverse City, will hold a "Take Back the Night" candlelight vigil for victims of sexual assault on Friday, April 30 at 7:30 p.m., at the Center located at 720 S. Elmwood.

There will also be a "Create a T-Shirt for the Clothesline Project" from 1 p.m. to 7 p.m., to allow victims to heal by telling their stories through art. You need not be an artist to participate.

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OPINIONS



ALMANACK

by Richard Milliman

First Lady trip costs tough to figure

EVER WONDER how much it costs taxpayers when America's First Lady travels overseas?

It's been impossible to figure.

Take, for example, the most recent foreign gambit by Hillary Clinton to northern Africa. It was spring break at Stanford University, so First Daughter Chelsea Clinton went along.

Cox Newspapers tried to find out how much the trip cost, but drew a blank.

Cox counted 58 countries Ms. Clinton has visited on 19 solo trips since Bill Clinton was inaugurated in 1993. That makes her the White House foreign travel queen.

Her immediate predecessor, Barbara Bush, traveled alone outside the U.S. twice -- to Costa Rica and Canada.

Nancy Reagan during eight

years in the White House took three foreign trips alone, plus three side trips by herself while traveling overseas with her husband.

Before the Clintons, the traveling champion was Eleanor Roosevelt, but no records were kept in her time as First Lady (from 1933-45).

BUT THE COST? According to the Cox report, Sheila Tate, press secretary to Nancy Reagan, claims it's impossible to figure First Lady travel costs.

"It was a mystery to me," Ms. Tate recalled. "There were allusions made to a budget. I never saw one."

Ms. Clinton's aides were no help, either.

All Ms. Clinton's trips were designated by the President as official

diplomatic missions, according to the Cox story, and Ms. Clinton's entourage included about 20 administration officials, including her own three spokespersons. About a dozen media folk trailed along.

Ms. Clinton delivered "four or five significant speeches," one of her spokespersons told the Cox Bureau.

But on costs or budget, the newspaper bureau got an effective run around.

Marsha Berry, Ms. Clinton's press secretary told Cox the trip came under the State Department and sent the reporter there, where that press office said anything about the First Lady would have to come from the White House.

Ever wonder why folks get fed up with government agencies ...

and why politicians have credibility problems?

We trust a good time was had by all in North Africa ... and that Chelsea Clinton returned to classes refreshed and with broader knowledge.

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STRANGE INTERVIEW -- Before leaving the First Family, some reflections on that strange exclusive interview President Clinton granted (which is the appropriate word in this case, and judiciously used) to media icon Dan Rather shortly after the bombing started in Kosovo.

Why?

"The war is on, and he's concerned about having the public understand very clearly why he's doing this and what he hopes to accomplish," Mr. Rather

explained.

The President repeated for CBS what he earlier told the nation and the media generally. Nothing new there.

Then Mr. Rather turned to the President's thoughts about a broader range of personal subjects.

No, Mr. Clinton never considered resigning during the Lewinsky crisis ... yes, his family is doing quite well "considering what we've been through" ... sure, he'd be happy to be the husband of a senator, although he doesn't know what the job requires. In a nutshell, Mr. Clinton used Mr. Rather's self-serving softball questions to spread a warm and fuzzy image which politicians always are seeking.

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HOW ABOUT the impeach-

ment itself?

"I do not regard this impeachment vote as some great badge of shame," Mr. Clinton said. "It's past us, and we need to put it behind us. We owe that to the American people, to let it go."

Of course, it would serve the Clintons very well if everyone just forgot the entire impeachment scandal ever happened. Just let it go.

Mr. Clinton's rationalization about the impeachment recalls the words of beleaguered Tevye in the musical play, *Fiddler on the Roof*.

Being poor is no great shame, a reconciled Tevye reminds God ... but then, it's no great honor either.

Richard Milliman is a veteran newspaperman and a contributing columnist to several Michigan newspapers.

EDITOR

Remove protection from the AuSable?

To the editor,

For the third time in two years, lawmakers in Lansing have once again introduced legislation to take Natural River Act protection away from the AuSable, Jordan, Pigeon, and other prized Michigan rivers.

Senate Bill 429, now before the Committee on Natural Resources and Environmental Affairs, would force local zoning authorities to allow artificial beach sanding, manicured lawns to the water's edge, and elaborate walkways through essential riverside habitats.

This bill is an insult to taxpayers, an assault on civic values, and undercuts the purpose and prac-

tice of the Natural River Act.

The Jordan, Pigeon, AuSable and others are still clean and natural, despite increased development, because the Natural River Act balances private and public property rights. Zoning standards in the Act give residents and businesses ample opportunity to enjoy and profit from riverfront property.

But the Act discourages suburban lawns, sanded beaches, and riverside patios because they can ruin a riverbank's ability to stop erosion, filter pollution runoff, and provide habitat for fish and game.

Taxpayers do not have to clean up the trout-fishing waters of the

Betsie, AuSable, or Jordan because the Natural River Act prevents pollution.

The Act also puts zoning details, such as how far a house should be set back from the river, in the hands of local people. Actual designation starts with months of citizen input on appropriate rules and continues daily with the work of zoning review boards made up of local citizens. These boards make every effort to accommodate private property owners when considering requests for variances.

The Michigan Land Use Institute recently analyzed five years of zoning review board decisions on the Betsie and Pere

Marquette rivers. Between 1993 and 1998, the boards denied only seven percent of variance proposals. They approved 48 percent as proposed, and 28 percent with modifications.

Senate Bill 429 would, however, do away with local control over Natural River designation and implementation. This legislation runs counter to Michigan's deeply held concept of Home Rule, as well as taxpayers' fiscal sensibilities. The Natural River Act is democratic and effective. Let's keep it that way.

Patty Cantrell

Economic Analyst

Michigan Land Use Institute

MDOT urges caution during roadside clean-up

To the editor,

The 20th anniversary of Earth Day in 1990 formed the perfect backdrop for the start of one of the most successful public/private partnerships in Michigan history - the Michigan Department of Transportation Adopt-A-Highway (AAH) Program.

AAH, which later this month will launch its tenth pickup season, has mushroomed from 300 groups that first year to 3,000 today.

Three times a year the road warriors don their orange vests, grab their official AAH trash bags and set out to safely scour nearly 6,800 miles of state highways.

Their mission: Rid our state roadsides of paper, bottles, car parts, shoes and other unsightly items that detract from the beauty of our Great Lakes State.

With 700,000 volunteer hours logged to date - and as many bags of trash collected - the program has achieved tremendous success. Besides extending our beautification efforts to thousands more miles of highways, the volunteer initiative has increased the frequency of litter pickups and beautified more roadside right-of-way than we could afford to with paid crews.

Of course, the success of this program would not have been

achievable without our emphasis on volunteer safety.

Besides providing vests, trash bags and attractive signs, MDOT annually supplies each group with safety instructions and requires that volunteers participate in safety training prior to each pickup season.

Also, unlike many other states with similar programs, we encourage groups to participate during three seasonally scheduled pickup periods. The first of the 1999 season is April 24 - May 2.

After nine years, motorists have become accustomed to the ten-day periods when most groups hit the roadsides. Furthermore,

MDOT relies on media notices to help reinforce this well-established pattern.

While volunteers are instructed to stay off freeway medians and the traveled roadway, motorists are urged to do their part by driving with extra caution when they see the crews at work. So, please keep your eyes open for our roadside partners, and express your appreciation to those you know who give so unselfishly to keeping Michigan beautiful for all to enjoy.

James R. DeSana

MDOT Director

Lansing

VFW asks for a show of support for our troops

To the editor,

The Department of Michigan, Veterans of Foreign Wars, in conjunction with our National Organization, fully supports the NATO Military Action taking place in Yugoslavia.

With NATO air strikes currently going on in Yugoslavia, and with the taking of American Prisoners of War, it is time to put our differences aside and support all of our military personnel. We need to let them know that we are behind them and support their efforts in this action.

We are deeply concerned over the welfare of our three POW's: SSgt. Christopher Stone of Capac, Michigan; SSgt. Andrew Ramirez of East Los Angeles, California and Specialist Steven Gonzales of Huntsville, Texas. With any military action, there is a possibility of casualties. Our brave men and women need our support.

It is encouraging to know that NATO, the House of Representatives and the Senate

are all united on this issue. The Department of Michigan, Veterans of Foreign Wars, is asking all military service organizations, churches, schools and communities to join with us and the States of Texas and California to tie yellow ribbons around trees at your work places and homes. This gesture has been a symbol of support and concern for our military personnel and will always remain so.

The Carl W. Borchers Post and Auxiliary 3736 of Grayling will be placing a wreath in front of the Court House at the Veteran's Memorial on May 1 at noon, in celebration of Loyalty Day and then will tie yellow ribbons on trees and other objects in Grayling in support of our troops in Yugoslavia and other places in the world. They are asking all residents of Grayling to purchase yellow ribbons and join in support of our troops.

Ernie E. Meyers Sr.

VFW State Commander

'Year of Older Persons' time to appreciate senior volunteers

To the editor,

The Senior Companion and Foster Grandparent programs are joining people around the globe in commemorating the International Year of the Older Persons 1999, as declared by the United Nations.

This is a time to celebrate with pride the many contributions that older citizens have and continue to make to our schools, our churches, our local government, and our communities. It is also a time to reflect, in a personal way, on the older people in our lives and how they have helped shape our values and society.

The occasion's theme, "towards a society for all ages," highlights that aging is a lifelong process, beginning in childhood and continuing through the life cycle. In this spirit, I encourage citizens throughout our community to recognize that the

International Year of the Older Persons is not only about old age, it is about understanding that the overall quality of life and health of society depends on all generations working hand in hand to reach common goals.

It seems fitting to take a moment to extend our appreciation to "our" older persons -- the Senior Companion and Foster Grandparent volunteers. These men and women give of themselves unselfishly in helping the frail elderly and children in our communities. They go above and beyond what is asked of them and do it with a smile. Their caring ways, helping hands, and unconditional love help hundreds of people in northern Michigan.

Laurie L. Sauer

Director of Volunteer Programs

Northeast Michigan Community Service Agency, Inc.

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Photographs must be turned in to the office by noon on Friday for consideration in the next issue.

News items and letters should be submitted on 8 1/2-x-11 inch paper, typed, and double-spaced. Handwritten items must also have ample space between each line; on lined paper use every other line.

Classified ads by the word must be turned in by Tuesday noon and have to be paid for in advance or they will not be published.

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BRIEFS

Frederic Elementary to hold carnival

The Frederic Elementary Parent Association will hold their 7th Annual School Carnival on April 30, from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m., at the school just off of Old 27. The event includes food, games, a cake walk, and door prizes. Proceeds will be used for improvement projects at the school. For more information, call Frederic Elementary at 348-7641, ext. 412.

Eagles Auxiliary elections coming up

The Grayling Ladies Auxiliary Eagles will hold an election on May 6, from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m., for Vice President and two Delegates. Meeting will follow at 7 p.m.

St. John Church plans rummage sale

St. John Lutheran Church will hold its annual rummage sale on Friday, April 30 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. and Saturday, May 1 from 9 a.m. to 12 noon, when a \$3 per bag sale will take place.

Retired Federal employees to meet

Local Chapter 2305 of the National Association of Retired Federal Employees (NARFE), will meet Thursday, May 6 at the Michelson Memorial United Methodist Church in Grayling. Lunch begins at 11:30 a.m.; business meeting follows at about 12:15 p.m. For more information, please call Rudy Martinez at 348-5326.

AVSA schedules May 1 trail clean-up

The AuSable Valley Snowmobile Association (AVSA) is sponsoring a trail clean-up on May 1. Anyone wishing to participate should meet at the Lone Pine Restaurant at 8 a.m. There will be food afterwards.

Ducks Unlimited plans chapter banquet

The 16th Annual Crawford County Ducks Unlimited Chapter Banquet will be held Saturday, May 1 at the Holiday Inn in Grayling. Registration and cocktails are at 6 p.m. and dinner is at 7:30 p.m. Tickets are \$45 each or \$70 per couple. Price includes annual membership, magazine subscription, attendance prize, a chance at door prizes, and a buffet dinner. Special raffle packages are available this year. For more information, call Rick Nash at 348-2003 or Karen Casler at 348-8823.

Hobby club holds mother/daughter meal

The Frederic Hobby Club will hold their annual Mother and Daughter Banquet Monday, May 10 at 5:30 p.m. at the Frederic Hobby Club on West County Road 612, for the mothers and daughters of the community. Bring a dish to pass and your own table service. Pre-register by calling 348-8368 or 348-8365.

Church's all-you-can-eat lunch planned

An all-you-can-eat, soup, sandwich, salad and dessert luncheon will be held at the Michelson Memorial United Methodist Church on Thursday, May 6, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Cost is \$4.50 per person; take-outs will be available and all are welcome.

Historic museum board plans meeting

The Crawford County Historic Museum Board members will hold their regular monthly meeting Tuesday, May 4 at 7 p.m. at the museum. Board members are urged to attend in order to plan for summer programs. All museum members are welcome to attend.

4-H offers babysitting classes for kids

The Crawford County 4-H office is offering babysitting classes for boys and girls in grades six through eight. Classes will be held in the Grayling Middle School cafeteria, from 3:30 p.m. to 5 p.m., on May 3, 10, and 17. Cost is \$3 for the series. Register at the 4-H office in the basement of the courthouse by April 30. For more information, please call 344-3264.

Representative to visit Grayling

Tarin Eisenga, a representative from Congressman Dave Camp's office, will be meeting with constituents at the Grayling Regional Chamber of Commerce on Friday, April 30, from 2 p.m. to 3 p.m., to discuss any federal issue or matter. Anyone unable to attend, but

wishing to discuss a federal matter, may call 1-800-342-2455.



Sunday - 1:30 pm

Grayling Eagles Auxiliary #3465
Eagles Club, 602 Huron
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Wednesday - 6:30 pm

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Thursday - 7 pm

American Legion Hall

Post 106 Grayling

Friday - 6:30 pm

Grayling Eagles Aerie #3465
Eagles Club, 602 Huron
Grayling

Commodities to be distributed — certification necessary

Veterans of Foreign Wars Carl W. Borchers Post & Auxiliary 3736 will be distributing surplus food commodities on May 4 at the Grayling Eagles Hall, from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Those not certified will need to do so before receiving any commodities. Bring proof of income of all members in the household being certified, as well as identification of the head of household.

Recipients of food stamps, AFDC, SSI, Medicaid, or General Assistance are eligible for this program.

Any resident of Crawford County that feels they might qualify must bring proof of gross income for every working person in the household. Gross income refers to total cash receipts before taxes.

A current bank statement can be used as proof of income directly deposited.

Those with no income must bring in a statement from Social Services to that effect or bring an eligibility card from any of the above mentioned programs.

A Household is described as a single individual or group of related or non-related individuals, an immediate family or extended family who

are living as one economic unit and for whom food is customarily purchased and prepared in common.

Eligibility is based on (1) wages and salaries before any deductions; (2) receipts from non-farm and farm self-employment; (3) regular payments from Social Security, railroad retirement, unemployment compensation, strike benefits, veterans' benefits, public assistance including supplemental security income (SSI), training stipends, alimony, private pensions, government employee pensions, and regular insurance or annuity payments and (4) income from dividends, interest, rent, royalties, or periodic receipts from estates or trusts.

Exempt incomes are capital gains, tax refunds, student loans, medicare premium deducted from social security and child support.

Food products and funding are made available to states on the basis of the number of persons unemployed and those below the poverty level.

Please do not call the Eagles for information on this food distribution program.

For information, please call Lou-Ann Crosby at 348-8186.

Kirtland presents Da Yoopers

Da Yoopers, a hysterical group of guys and gal will keep you laughing for hours on Saturday, June 5, at 8 p.m. This crazy bunch of musicians and actors will perform at the Kirtland Center for the Performing Arts, Kirtland Community College, G. I. Stewart Auditorium in Roscommon.

There is only one comedy group in the universe like Da Yoopers. Their hilarious stage show and comical songs have lead to continually sold-out shows around the country. Their performance is a one-of-a-kind fast paced comedy show containing songs about bowlers, fishermen, yooper cowboys, dateless guys, football fanatics, deer hunting and many other crazy characters.

Radio air-play of Da Yoopers music includes: *Second Week of Deer Camp, Beer Gut, Rusty Chevrolet, Fishing With Fred* and many more.

Da Yoopers now have seven musical comedy albums to their credit and an eighth album in the works to be released this year entitled *Jack Pine Savage*. They have a new long-play video called *It's About Time, Eh! Da Fishin' Trip* was included on the sound track for the movie *Toll Booth*.

They have also recorded a national motorcycle safety campaign song and national Stroh's beer commercials.

Tickets for this show are now on sale and may be purchased for \$18, \$14 or \$10 through the Kirtland Ticket Office at (517) 275-6777.

Red Cross schedules two blood drives

Two Red Cross Crawford County Community Blood Drives are scheduled next week.

On Wednesday, May 5 a drive will be held at Grayling High School from 8:30 a.m. to 2:15 p.m.

On Thursday, May 6 a drive will be held at Frederic Elementary School from 12 noon to 5:45 p.m.

Donors must be at least 17 years old and weigh at least 110 pounds. The nursing staff welcomes questions regarding medical eligibility. Senior citizens are welcome.

The March blood drive was very successful, with about 80 donors.

The following people received gallon pins: 25 gallons - Alan Etson;

one gallon - James Gardiner, Todd Messerschmidt; two gallons - Dale Wakeley, Ryan Rondo, Alan Bersted; three gallons - Robert Fitzpatrick, Jr., Irene Galvani; 12 gallons - Rex Shepherd.

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THURS 29	•TOPS (Take Off Pounds Sensibly) @ Mercy Hospital Riverside Room, 5 pm. For more information call Joanne 348-4416. •GRAYLING ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS MEETING @ Grayling City Hall, 8 pm. Call John W. 348-1776 or Marsh S. 348-1307 for more information.
FRI 30	•GRAYLING ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS MEETING @ St. Mary's Catholic Church, 12 noon & 8 pm. Call John W. 348-1776 or Marsh S. 348-1307 for more information.
SAT 1	•AVSA TRAIL CLEAN-UP - The AuSable Valley Snowmobile Association (SVSA) is sponsoring a trail clean-up. Anyone wishing to participate should meet at the Lone Pine Restaurant at 8 a.m. There will be food afterwards.
SUN 2	•GRAYLING ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS MEETING @ St. Francis Episcopal Church, 8 pm. Call John W. 348-1776 or Marsh S. 348-1307 for more information. •ATTEND THE CHURCH of your choice today.
MON 3	•KIWANIS CLUB meeting @ Shoppenagon's Inn, 12 noon. •GRAYLING ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS MEETING @ St. Mary's Catholic Church, 12 noon & 8 pm @ Frederic Township Hall. Call John W. 348-1776 or Marsh S. 348-1307 for more information.
TUES 4	•AUSABLE RIVER CANOE MARATHON joint meeting @ Mio AuSable Restaurant, 7 p.m. •ADHD parent's support group meeting, 615 S. Elm, Gaylord, 7 p.m. Call (517) 732-3529 for more info. •GPA MEETING @ Shoppenagon's Inn, 12 noon. •GRAYLING ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS MEETING @ St. Mary's Catholic Church, 8 pm. Call John W. 348-1776 or Marsh S. 348-1307 for more information. •REGULAR MEETING OF NORTH CENTRAL AREA CHAPTER #19, State Employee Retirees Assoc., will be held at the Houghton Lake Community Building, at 2 p.m. All retired state employees & their spouses are encouraged to attend.
WED 5	•ROTARY MEETING @ Patti's Towne House, 12 noon. •WEIGHT WATCHER'S meeting @ St. Francis Episcopal Church, M-72 West; weigh-in 4:45 pm; meeting, 5:30 pm. For more information call Mary, 348-5306. •GRAYLING ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS MEETING @ St. Mary's Catholic Church, 12 noon. Call John W. 348-1776 or Marsh S. 348-1307 for more information. •AUSABLE QUILT GUILD meeting @ St. John's Church, 10 a.m.

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The Bible Speaks

Weapons control

God's providence is dedicated to protect the right-to-life of His people. (Isaiah 54:17) "No weapon that is formed against thee shall prosper; and every tongue that shall rise against thee in judgment thou shalt condemn. This is the heritage of the servants of the LORD, and their righteousness is of me, saith the LORD." As part of God's provision to protect His people, He gave them power to create weapons for self defense. (Isaiah 54:16) "Behold, I have created the smith that bloweth the coals in the fire, and that bringeth forth an instrument for his work; and I have created the waster to destroy." God not only gave power to make weapons, but also the perception, prudence, and prowess to use them. (Psalms 144:1) "Blessed be the LORD my strength, which teacheth my hands to war, and my fingers to fight."

Disarmament has been the 3,000 year practice of totalitarian government to enslave people. When the Jews were subdued by the Philistines we read: (1 Samuel 13:19) "Now there was no smith found throughout all the land of Israel: for the Philistines said, Lest the Hebrews make them swords or spears." In 2 Kings 24:16 we find Babylon dismissing Israel in the same way for their 70 years of slavery. History teaches government

that controlling weapons is essential to controlling people. This is another reason we are fighting Serbs today because the Albanians and Kosovo Liberation Army were not sufficiently armed. In Afghanistan, when we armed the rebels they successfully resisted the Russian military. One goal of the UN is the control of weapons in every nation so they can extend international control over all nations.

But, gun control should not be a problem in Michigan since our state constitution reads: "Every person has the right to keep and bear arms for the defense of himself and the state." But politicians have turned our state constitution as well as the Second Amendment to our U.S. Constitution, and our Declaration of Independence against the purpose of God and our founding fathers.

Jeffrey R. Snyder in an article entitled, "Crime, Self-Defense, and the Right to Carry a Handgun" made the following comments: "The most fundamental justification for concealed-carry laws is the right to life. Each person has a right to life, not just those who have demonstrated some special 'need' or 'proper cause.'" Indeed, our Declaration of Independence asserts that governments are instituted to secure the right to life. The right to life of necessity

implies the right to maintain or continue one's life by defending it against violent criminal assault. Yet the right to defend one's life is meaningless, or a hollow promise, unless that right also encompasses the right to the means necessary for the effective exercise of that right."

"Since the right to life implies a right to the means to protect that life, the individual's right to his own life necessarily implies a right to keep and bear arms suitable for self-defense. In this place and time, that means a handgun, small enough to be carried at almost all times. The presumption, therefore, of a government that respects its citizens' right to life and self-defense must be that they are permitted to carry arms to protect themselves." God gave us unalienable rights to life, liberty, property, and defense.

Pastor "B" Please pray for the ministry of this column and our church Websites at <http://freeway.net/~cba/> and at <http://www.geocities.com/Heartland/Ranch/1263/>

"The Bible Speaks" is paid for by concerned Christians who support Grayling Calvary Baptist Church and who assume full responsibility for its content.

Rally Around Youth workshop includes local survey results

The Crawford County MSU Extension office says, sadly, most kids in our country have less than half the positive things they need to succeed.

A workshop sponsored by the MSU-E and the United Way of Northwest Michigan will try to answer the question, "Do our kids have enough 'assets,' those positive experiences, relationships and values that protect them from risky behavior?"

Hear the results of a local youth survey and learn how each person can encourage children and youth at home, in school, and throughout

the community at either the morning or afternoon session of the day-long workshop on May 20, from 9 a.m. to 3:45 p.m. in Traverse City. Those interested in doing so, may attend both sessions.

Young people, parents, educators, business people, community leaders and those involved with youth in their communities should plan to attend this workshop with the slogan, "If you care about kids, you'll Rally Around Youth."

Cost for the entire day is \$15 for adults; youths are admitted free of charge.

For more information or to register, contact the Crawford County MSU-E office at 344-3264 or the United Way of Northwest Michigan at 1-800-344-9333.

Light the Nation with Prayer

This year, the National Day of Prayer is May 6, with the theme *Light the Nation with Prayer*, from Matthew 5:14-15.

People in thousands of communities throughout the country will gather to pray during the customary 20-minute period on National Day of Prayer.

A special gathering, to pray for moral rebirth in America, is scheduled, from 12:20 to 12:40 p.m. that day, at the Crawford County Courthouse Building on Michigan Avenue in Grayling.

Local clergy are asking those who want to pray for the city and nation to take advantage of this opportunity to experience the power of group prayer.

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Correction

On Page 6A of the April 22 edition of *The Avalanche*, the donor of the land given to Grayling Baptist Church was misidentified. The donation was made by Beth Seator of Gierke Street. We regret the error and any confusion it may have caused.

Church Directory



"Hey Clyde," whined Jack. "I gotta talk to you."

"Quit horsin' around. I'm not in the mood," snorted Clyde.

"Hey man...I thought you were my friend!" cried Jack.

"Okay Jack, let's have it. How come you're all down in the snout?" Clyde demanded.

"Well, I'm all short and scruffy, Clyde. You're tall and shiny. People respect you, but they just pile stuff on me and kick me around. I just don't get no respect, y'know what I mean?"

"Hey man, get a grip," exclaimed Clyde. "We're all God's children. We got our own thing to do for Him. Whoever heard of Mary riding a horse into Bethlehem? How about when Jesus went to Jerusalem...y'know the palm branches? He was on a donkey, right? Don't tell any of my buddies, but just between you and me, I've always been a little jealous of you guys."

"You really mean it...no horsin' around?" said Jack.

"Yea Jack, just between me and you. Now, git!"

Yes, we're all God's children. Worship at your local church or synagogue this week. God has a purpose for you.

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Orthopedic specialist leaves to teach at MSU

by Ian Van Walleghem
Staff Writer

John M. Thiel, D.O., F.A.O.A.O. (Doctor of Osteopathy, Fellow in the American Osteopathic Academy of Orthopedics), ended his 18-year tenure in northern Michigan on Wednesday, April 21. Dr. Thiel, on staff at the Mercy Hospital of Grayling and Otsego Memorial Hospital in Gaylord, has an accomplished career to follow as he relocates to Hayes Green Beach Hospital in Charlotte.

At six years of age, Thiel knew he wanted to be an orthopedic surgeon. His father was handicapped and this provided him with inspiration to become a doctor.

Thiel graduated from Howell High School in 1967, attended Albion College in 1968, and graduated from Michigan State University with a Bachelor of Arts degree in 1971.

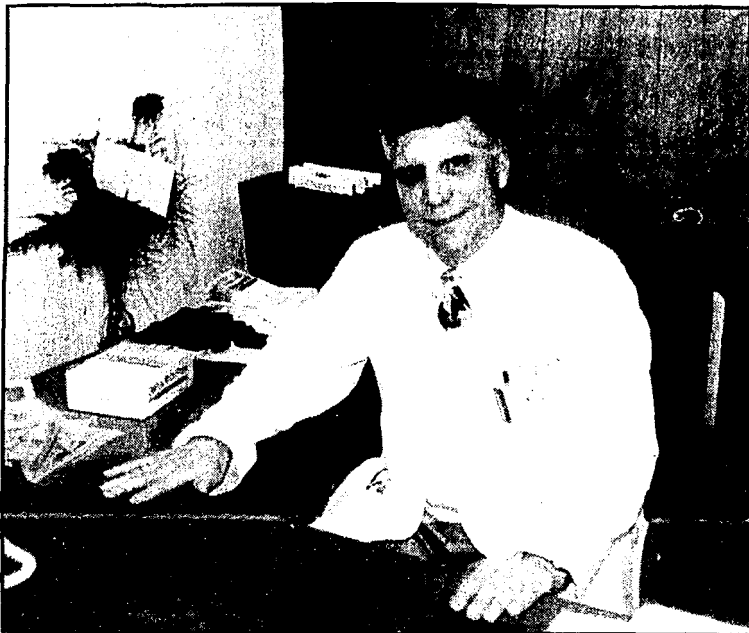
In 1976, he received his Doctor of Osteopathic Medicine degree from the Chicago College of Osteopathic Medicine.

He was an intern from 1976-1977 at Lansing General Hospital and did his orthopedic residency at the Garden City Osteopathic Hospital from 1977-1981. Thiel began practicing in Grayling and Gaylord in July, 1981.

In February 1984, Dr. Robert Halter offered Thiel a position at the Milltown Clinic's N'Orthopedics P.C.

"Fifty-percent of my practice was in Grayling and 50 percent was in Gaylord," said Thiel. "I live five miles south of Gaylord and 22 miles from here (Grayling)." Many times he would drive back and forth for different patients in each city on the same day.

Thiel has been given numerous



Dr. John M. Thiel

honors and distinctions, including Chief of Surgery, Chief of Staff, and Chairman of Credentials Committee at Grayling Mercy Hospital. He has published various medical papers and is a member of several osteopathic associations.

He acknowledged performing approximately 600 operations per year while working in this area, including on bones, joints, tendons, nerves, arteries, hips, knees, shoulders, ankles, wrists, hands, shin splints, and foot problems. "I have done about 1,000 knees and hips in 18 years," said Thiel.

Moving on with his life, Thiel will be teaching orthopedic surgery at Michigan State University starting in June, in addition to his new private practice in Charlotte. "I have always wanted to teach hand surgery," said Thiel. He will teach every three months at the medical school and have an orthopedic doc-

tor in residency starting this summer.

"I thought I had something to offer younger doctors," said Thiel. "I decided that I wanted to teach." When asked what were the major reasons for his departure, he explained, "I have always wanted to train doctors."

"I want to teach doctors about respect and courtesy for the patient," said Thiel. "It is more than just cutting, casts, pins, and bones. I tell athletes that I treat them like they were one of my boys."

Another reason for his unfortunate departure is the work load between the Grayling and Gaylord offices. Thiel contends he often worked 20- to 24-hour days.

Dr. Greenlaw will be replacing Dr. Thiel for the months of May, June, and July. Dr. Brad Fowler, from Oregon, will take over in August.

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New clients welcome at A-Sharper-Image

by Cheryl Ruley
Staff Writer

For over 20 years, licensed nail technician Nancy Adair has been helping hands look their best.

"There are no ugly fingers... just fingers waiting to be shown," Adair said, owner of the recently opened beauty dubbed A-Sharper-Image.

Some may recognize Adair, who returned to the Grayling area after six years of owning and operating a salon in Logan, Ohio called Just Nails. She used to be a nail tech at another local salon.

A-Sharper-Image is a full service salon, touting every kind of hair care, nail care and tanning at reasonable prices.

"We promise to provide quality and professional services, using top of the line products," said Adair. "We take a lot of pride in our work."

Nail services Adair provides are overlays, acrylics, fiberglassing, french manicures, and airbrushing upon request.

Licensed hairdresser Tammy Carpenter said, "We love people and we are presenting ourselves as a modern shop with old-time prices."

Carpenter said she is up on all the latest hair styles, cuts and treatments for every member of the family. "I am always attending courses and seminars so that I can bring the most

up-to-date services to my clients."

Carpenter offers clipper cuts, coloring, foiling and hair weaving among her services.

The shop uses Redken, Matrix, Paul Mitchell and other quality products. Prices for services from mustache trims to permanents to tanning are clearly posted in the waiting area so that clients get no surprises at the cash register.

"We offer family discounts and every day is senior citizen day in our shop," Adair said.

A-Sharper-Image offers tanning in their state-of-the-art Peacock Tanning System. The hex, wrap-around tanning booth lets clients tan five times faster than other units and allows the user to put the light where they want it most. Adair said it is the only one of its kind in the area.

The shop is open Monday through Saturday. Hours are quite flexible and for a reason. "We are here to service the people of this community, so we are very flexible with our hours," Adair said.

The shop will open at 8:30 a.m. and close around 6 p.m. on weekdays and close around 3 p.m. on Saturdays. However, Carpenter said, "We will stay open as long as people are coming in."

Appointments are available by calling 344-8585, but walk-ins are



Photo by Cheryl Ruley

NEW SALON OPENS — Owner and nail technician Nancy Adair, along with hair stylist Tammy Carpenter, welcome new clients to the recently opened A-Sharper-Image.

always welcome.

A-Sharper-Image will hold its official grand opening on Saturday, May 1. A gift basket will be raffled off that day to introduce clients to the cooperative effort between A-

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The no-cost workshop will be held May 18 and 19, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Crawford County MSU Extension office located in the basement of the Crawford County Courthouse in Grayling.

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New postmaster sworn in



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OATH OF OFFICE - New Grayling Postmaster Jana Tuck, center, was administered the official oath of office by Service Area Manager Marty Slabbekoom on Wednesday, April 21 at the Grayling Post Office. Daughter, Amy Tuck of Saginaw, held the Bible for her mother. In-laws, Larry and Thelma Tuck (not shown) of Gaylord, were among the many in attendance for the official ceremony. Cake and refreshments were served at a small reception that followed.

NMH will mail mammogram reports now

Women receiving a mammogram at Northern Michigan Hospital (NMH) in Petoskey will be mailed a written summary of their mammography report under new federal guidelines.

Beginning April 28, the Food and Drug Administration's Mammography Quality Standards Act requires that a written summary of the mammography report be sent to all patients by the physician who interpreted the examination. The report will be written in terms that should be easily understood by the lay person.

"We're very pleased to follow these standards and provide our patients with the written report," said Michael Angileri, M.D., Medical Director of Radiology at NMH. "Arming women with information about their mammography screening - or any health information - allows them to take even more control of improving their health."

Patients should expect to receive the summary report within two to three weeks after their mammography appointment at NMH. The patient's referring health care provider will continue to also receive a report of the mammography results.

Substance Abuse Board to meet

The next meeting of the Northern Michigan Substance Abuse Services Board of Directors will be held Monday, May 3 at 10 a.m. in the Baraga Meeting Room at the offices of NMSAS at 1665 West M-32, Marquette Building, in Gaylord.

For an agenda or more information, call (517) 732-1791.

Mercy offers women's conference

Grayling Mercy Hospital announced its "Celebration of Women: Nurturing Mind, Body and Spirit", a women's health conference to be held on Saturday, May 1 from 8:30 - 4 p.m. at Kirtland Community College.

The program will include keynote speaker, Camille Haberkorn presenting, "A Holistic Approach to Life". The program will address achievement of balance in our lives, ways to deal with the demands of everyday living and achieving a healthier life.

Ms. Haberkorn is a published author and has fourteen years of public speaking experience.

All participants will have the opportunity to visit over 30 vendor displays including products and ser-

vices designed for women such as Aroma Therapy; Pampered Chef, Horizon Bookstores, The Navigator Program, Art Exhibits from Kirtland Community College, Legal (Sally Galer) and Financial Services, Women's Organizations, many health and beauty services, just to name a few.

In the afternoon, participants can choose educational programs on the topics of Aroma Therapy, Herbal Care, Midlife Changes or Yoga, Dress for Success, Breast Cancer Awareness.

Lunch will be served and the total cost of the program (including lunch) is \$15. Please call Mercy HealthLine at 1-800-33-MERCY to register or for additional information.

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PERSPECTIVE

AARP campaign promotes senior independent living

Michigan AARP is poised to launch a broad-based public information and direct volunteer action campaign designed to help people remain independent and stay in charge of their lives as they age.

"AARP Connections for Independent Living Month gives local volunteers an opportunity to raise public awareness about how easy it can be for an aging parent or neighbor to stay in their homes," says AARP Acting State President Leila Burney.

A recent AARP housing survey showed 83 percent of all older Americans want to stay in their homes as they age. In Michigan, three out of ten people age 65 and older live alone - and 80 percent own their own homes. "As we age, simple home improvements are often needed to help prevent accidents and injuries from changing vision and mobility," Burney explained.

In communities across Michigan, AARP volunteers will spend the month of May promoting independence by installing handicap ramps, distributing food baskets to the homebound, working with

local public safety officers to install and maintain residential smoke detectors, and establishing partnerships with local hardware stores to display and demonstrate simple and inexpensive home modification projects that anyone can do to enable baby-boomers and their parents to continue to live in their chosen community, among friends and family.

AARP Connections for Independent Living also provides valuable information and resources on transportation, housing, financial security, fraud, health, and other vital issues that can affect the daily life of older persons.

To receive more information about the AARP Connections for Independent Living program, please write to: AARP Michigan State Office, 309 N. Washington Square, Suite 110, Lansing, Michigan 48933.

AARP is the nation's leading organization for people age 50 and older. It serves their needs and interests through legislative advocacy, research, informative programs and community services provided by a network of local chapters and experienced volunteers throughout the country.

Preventing life-threatening falls may hinge on home modification

About 25 percent of persons aged 65-74 report falls in any given year, says the American Association of Retired Persons (AARP). Falls rank as the sixth leading cause of death among people over age 65. Fractures from falls are the leading cause of disability and often result in entering nursing homes.

For those over 65, falls in the home cause 60 percent of fatalities.

The design of the home has been implicated in about one-third to one-half of all falls, most often during common everyday activities.

May factors in the home - poor lighting, narrow steps, slippery surfaces - can increase the risk of a fall. In addition, aging people may experience problems with glare and depth perception, reduced fitness and fatigue, or may

take prescription medicines that affect orientation.

Reducing fall hazards in the home needn't be expensive or time-consuming.

"And," adds Michigan AARP Acting State President Leila Burney, "since half of all falls do take place in the home, it's an important place to start."

Research conducted by Yale University has shown older adults are more at risk of falling when they: fail to use handrails on steps or stairs; lean too far in one direction without support and become off balance; reach for objects overhead; or, climb on chairs, stepstools and ladders.

As part of its month-long effort to focus public attention on all the simple things anyone can do to help older people remain

independent and in charge of their lives, Michigan AARP is distributing, free-of-charge, "Home Safe Home," a simple checklist for preventing falls in your home.

"We buy all sorts of insurance to protect ourselves and our families," Burney observed. "But we may neglect the most important insurance of all - taking the time to think ahead about how we can protect ourselves and our parents from dangers in the home environment. Staying independent tomorrow means thinking ahead today."


To obtain, at no cost, a copy of "Home Safe Home," call (517) 482-2772 or write:

AARP Michigan State Office, 309 N. Washington Square, Suite 110, Lansing, Michigan 48933.

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MAY

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
3. 10:00 - Crafts 12:00 - Stag Cards 1:00 - RSVP Women 1:00 - Bridge Club 5:30 - "Hangman"	4. 10:00 - Exercises 11:00 - Line Dance 1:00 - Euchre Club 5:30 - Pool	5. Commodities 9:30 - 10:30 Eagles 12:30 - Stag Club 12:30 - Wendy's Bingo 5:00 - Mother's Day Dinner & Dance Reservations	6.	7. 1:00 - Pantry Bingo ***** Sunday Brunch ***** Happy Mother's Day
10. Share Sign-up 10:00-2:00 10:00 - Crafts 12:00 - Stag Cards 1:00 - RSVP Ladies 1:00 - Bridge Club 5:30 - "Hangman"	11. 9:00-2:00 Surplus Eagles 10:00 - Exercises 11:00 - Line Dance 1:00 - Euchre Club 5:30 - Junior Miss	12. 12:30 - Stag Club 5:00 - Birthday Dinners 5:30 - RSVP White Elephant Auction	13. BP's Taken 11 to Noon	14. Frederic 12:00 Satellite 1:00 - Pantry - Bingo ***** 16. Sunday Brunch 10 - 1 Pancake
17. 10:00 - Crafts 12:00 - Stag Cards 1:00 - RSVP Ladies 1:00 - Bridge Club 5:30 - "Hangman"	18. 10:00 - Exercises 11:00 - Line Dance 1:00 - Euchre Club 5:30 - Trivia	19. 11:00 - Out To Lunch 12:30 - Classic Movie 1:00 - Stag Club 5:30 - COA Board Meeting	20. 5:30 - Speaker Carol Rayback	21. Lovells 12:00 - Satellite 1:00 - Pantry Bingo 1:30 - Legal Help ***** 22. Pot Luck 2 p.m.
24. 10:00 - Crafts 12:00 - Stag Cards 1:00 - RSVP Ladies 1:00 - Bridge Club 5:30 - "Hangman"	25. 10:00 - Exercises 11:00 - Line Dance 1:00 - Euchre Club 5:30 - Pool	26. 12:30 - Stag Club	27. BP's Taken 11 to Noon 1:00-5:00 - RSVP Bake at Glen's 5:30 - Dance	28. Share Pick-Up 1:30 - 3 at RLDS 1:00 - Pantry Bingo ***** 29. 10:00 - 8:00 at Glen's 29th COA Rummage Sale
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Working while retired? Here are rules to know

Even though a recent law eliminated annual earnings reports for most beneficiaries who work, there are still some circumstances under which you must report your earnings while receiving Social Security retirement or survivors benefits.

Usually, Social Security gets that information from the earnings your employer reports on your W-2 and from your self-employment earnings reported on your income tax return. However, there are some circumstances under which you are responsible for reporting the earnings. You need to report earnings to Social Security after the end of the year only if:

- You're eligible for the monthly earnings test and you earned less than the monthly earnings limits (in that case, we need to know so we can pay you benefits for that month).

- Some, or all, of the earnings shown on your W-2 were not earned in the year reported.

- Your W-2 shows employer-reported wages that you will include on a self-employment tax

return.

- You filed a self-employment tax return but you did not perform any services in your business or you file your tax return on a fiscal year basis.

- You are a farmer and you get federal agricultural program payments or you have income from carry-over crops.

- Social Security withheld some benefits but you had no earnings for the year.

A different rule applies to disabled beneficiaries who work; they must report all earnings and earnings over \$500 are considered an indication that they are no longer disabled.

For disabled recipients of Supplemental Security Income (SSI) who work, benefits decrease as their earnings increase.

If you have questions about reporting requirements, call our toll-free number, 1-800-772-1213 or call or visit your local Security office.

Information on reporting requirements also is available at this Internet address: www.ssa.gov.

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MILITARY NEWS

Marine Lance Cpl. Cory B. Gilley, son of Connie K. Gulbrandsen of Roscommon, recently returned from a deployment to Panama while assigned to 6th Marines, Camp Lejeune, North Carolina.

During the three-month deployment, Gilley's unit provided security to the U.S. embassy and conducted various training exercises with U.S. Army units which concentrated on the principles of riot control and the concepts of conducting patrols.

Gilley, a 1996 graduate of Houghton Lake High School, joined the Marine Corps in October 1996.

HONORS

Alma College

Jaime Vendeville has earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in English. The degree will be conferred at the commencement ceremony on Saturday, April 24.

Card of Thanks

A Thank You to the Houghton Lake State Police and Grayling City Police backup for answering the alarm so quickly at 2 a.m. at Larry and Joan's Place during a recent B&E.

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Head Start celebrates Month of the Young Child



Photo courtesy of Rebecca Darling

FOR KIDS' SAKE - Parents representing the local Head Start program show their support for the program by encouraging community awareness of "The Month of the Young Child" in a recent visit to Glen's Market.

Local Grayling Head Start parents recently gathered at Glen's Market in an act of community awareness.

April is "The Month of the Young Child" and parents decided to recognize the children, staff, families and volunteers that make up the Head Start program.

The children made their own flowers displaying pictures of themselves involved in classroom activities.

The parents helped out, too, by making the other decorations and putting it all together on Monday, April 5.

The Head Start group's work is on display at the Grayling Glen's Market through the month of April to celebrate, as well as inform families with three, four, and five year-old kids about enrollment opportunities.

Head Start is a comprehensive pre-school program for kids whose families meet certain income

requirements.

For those who qualify, Head Start will be holding Round-Up appointments on Thursday, April 29 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., and on May 13 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Grayling

Head Start Center on the North I-75 Business Loop (Old 27).

Call Sherri Elliot at 344-1020 for an appointment or for more information on eligibility requirements for the Head Start program.

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AN APPOINTMENT IS REQUIRED FOR ENROLLMENT

Head Start is a free comprehensive child development pre-school program for children age 3 to 5 years, who meet eligibility requirements. The goal is to increase social and educational skills.

Parents or guardians should bring proof of income, a copy of the child's legal birth certificate, the child's immunization record, parent's or guardian's social security numbers and Medicaid card (if applicable).

Please call (517) 731-0586 or 905 344-1020 for your appointment and more.

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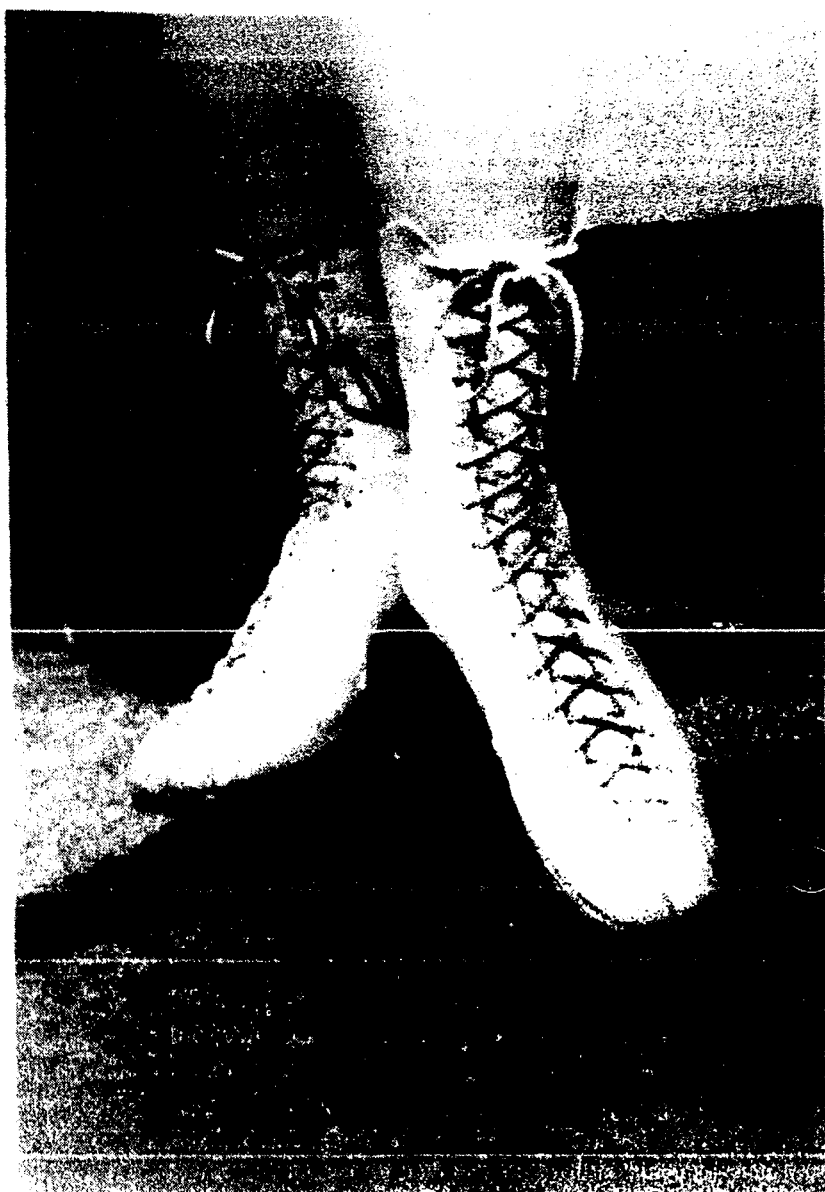
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OBITUARIES

Walter J. Knight

Walter J. Knight, 86, of Harrison, died April 24 at Northern Michigan Hospital in Petoskey.

Mr. Knight was born August 14, 1912, in Gladwin to Norman and Belle (Hoy) Knight. Mr. Knight was a resident of Harrison since 1949, moving from Flint. He was married to Lillian Woods, December 24, 1930, in Gladwin. He was a Life member of the John J. Carton Masonic Lodge #436, Harrison and the Bay City Consistory. Mr. Knight retired from the Harrison Community Schools on September 7, 1979. He and his wife owned and operated Knight's Dairy Bar in Harrison for many years.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Lillian; his parents, Norman and Belle Knight; five brothers, Carl, Harry, Dan, Paul and Lon Knight; two sisters, Jenny and Madge.

Survivors include: one daughter, Joanne (Donald) Ferguson of Grayling; one son, Michael Knight of Roscommon; seven grandchildren, Tim Ferguson, Jeff Knight, Joe Knight, James Knight, Katie Knight, Jodi Knight and Shelly Kibiloski; two great-grandchildren, Lea Nichole Knight and Michael Timothy Knight, plus other relatives and friends.

Funeral services were held Tuesday, April 27 from the Stocking Funeral Home, Harrison, with Mr. Dave Wyman officiating. Interment was in Maple Grove Cemetery, Harrison. Masonic memorial services were held Monday evening at the Funeral Home under the auspices of the John J. Carton Masonic Lodge.

The family requests memorial gifts be made to the Walter Knight Living Tree Fund.

James K. Wiltse

James K. Wiltse, 61, of Grayling died April 21 at Mercy Hospital in Grayling.

Mr. Wiltse was born August 17, 1937 in Saginaw to James Kenneth and Viola (Schury) Wiltse. Mr. Wiltse was a resident of Grayling for twenty years, moving here from Saginaw. He was a real estate salesman and broker employed by Century 21 River Country Real Estate and also sold for Maday Windows.

Mr. Wiltse was a member of Mount Hope Lutheran Church, Eagles Aerie #3465 Grayling Moose Lodge, and the Grayling Country Club.

He was preceded in death by his parents, James and Viola (Schury) Wiltse.

Survivors include: two sons, Matthew (Martha) Wiltse of Traverse City and David (Jackie) Wiltse of Royal Oak; three daughters, Catherine Wiltse of Sarasota, Florida, Elizabeth (Sean) McCoy of Clarkston, Molly Wiltse of Ann Arbor; one sister, Mary Emery of Higbee, Missouri; seven grandchildren.

Funeral services were held Friday, April 23 at Mount Hope Lutheran Church in Grayling with Reverend Paul Boerger officiating. Military rites were conducted by representatives of American Legion Post 106 and the Michigan National Guard from Camp Grayling.

Burial was in the Elmwood Cemetery.

Funeral arrangements were made by the Sorenson Funeral Home, Inc., McEvers Chapel.

The family requests memorial gifts be directed to the Leukemia Society of America.

Robert Armstrong

Robert "Jim" Armstrong, 63, of Gladwin died April 23 at the Mid-Michigan Medical Center in Midland.

Mr. Armstrong was born March 10, 1936 in Little Rock, Arkansas to John R.S. and May Cleo (Crawford) Armstrong. Mr. Armstrong, a prior resident of Frederic, had lived at the Gladwin Nursing Home in Gladwin for the past 39 years. He was in an automobile accident at the age of 18 and was quadriplegic since that time.

He was preceded in death by his parents, John R.S. and May Cleo Armstrong.

Survivors include: three sisters, Rose Ann Owens of Frederic, Ernestine Weaver of Grayling, Nellie Sherman of Lake Placid, Florida; five brothers, John of Aurora, Illinois, Charles of Naperville, Illinois, Arvelle of Buchanan, Lyle and Gordon of Detroit.

Funeral services were held Monday, April 26 at the Sorenson Funeral Home McEvers Chapel with Pastor Donald Potter officiating.

Burial was in the Oakwood Cemetery, Frederic Township.

RANGE FIRING

Range firing scheduled April 28 through May 4.

Range 40 Complex, Air to Ground, located north of County Rd. 612, east of Guthrie Lake, south of Old State Rd. 618, and west of County Rd. F97 (Twin Bridge Rd.)

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SHERIFF'S REPORT

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Three fire; two assault; five burglary; six larceny; one family/child;

five public peace; one citation; seven health and public safety; two invasion of privacy; six conservation; one miscellaneous crimes; three minors; one suicide attempt; five accidents; one civil traffic; two traffic safety; four false alarm; one vehicle inspection; five civil/family trouble; eight suspicious situation; nine general non-criminal.

A total of 78 complaints were handled by the sheriff's department during the one-week period.

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District Health Department No. 10 has scheduled the following clinics for the Grayling office. Appointments are either recommended or required for all clinics and can be made by calling 348-7800. Information is also available on Mi-Child, Healthy Kids, Maternal Support and Environmental Health Services.

Immunization Clinic: May 5 and 19.

Breast & Cervical Cancer: May 6. Call 1-800-968-7300 to schedule an appointment. This program is available to women ages 40-64 who have no health insurance.

Family Planning: May 4 and 5.

Premarital Education Class: May 11 and 19.

HONORS

University of Michigan

Two Grayling residents earned class honor at the Honors Convocation held March 21.

They are: **Travis A. Patrick** in the College of Engineering and **Joshua**

WIC Supplemental Food Program for pregnant women, infants and children: May 10, 19, 20 and 26.

Frederic Clinic (call 348-7800 for appointment): May 21.

HIV/AIDS Testing (Confidential): May 12 and 26.

OSHA Bloodborne Pathogen Standard Training Session: June 9. Held in Cadillac Office ONLY.

NOTE: New program available - Coronary Risk Profile. This is a total cholesterol screening - HDL, LDL, Triglycerides, Glucose and Blood Pressure. The cost is \$25 per person, by appointment only. The Grayling Health Department will be offering the screening on Friday, August 6. Call 348-7800 to schedule an appointment.

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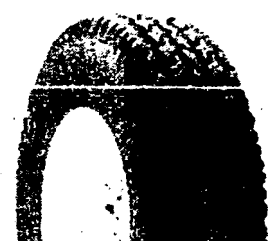


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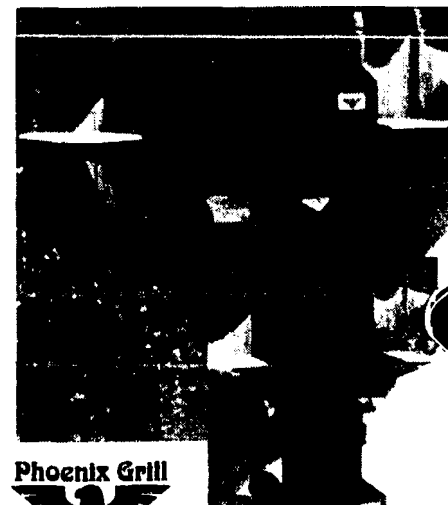
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Guard uncertain of involvement in Kosovo

Michigan National Guard members are keeping a watchful eye on the NATO operations in Kosovo (Operation Allied Force), as the possibility of deployment to the war-torn area lingers.

According to the Department of Military Affairs, there are currently no Michigan Army or Air National Guard units "identified for mobilization in support of Operation Allied Force," but the President recently announced that nearly 33,000 members of the National Guard and Reserve could possibly be called for support of the NATO operations in Kosovo.

"While it is difficult to speculate about the possibility of any one, or multiple units being asked to support the Presidential Selective Reserve Call-up (PSRC), all units of the Michigan National Guard have distinguished service records in past conflicts, humanitarian and peacekeeping operations. All units of the Michigan Guard are full partners in the United States Total Force and will be ready to perform

their missions, if the need arises," stated the Department of Military Affairs in a recent press release.

"All units of the Michigan Guard are committed to readiness and currently putting extra effort into administrative, logistic and training requirements to assure their unit's preparedness, in case they are called."

Several web sites have been established to keep the public apprised of information related to Operation Allied Force, including the following:

A mobilization chart is available at:

<http://raweb.osd.mil/RCs/sld007.htm>

Daily Pentagon Briefings are available at:

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The Operation Allied Force web site is available at:

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P.O.W. MESSAGE -- Camp Grayling's welcome sign urges people to pray for the safe return of the three U.S. servicemen captured during NATO operations in Kosovo. National Guard involvement in the conflict is still uncertain.

Volunteer pilots help deliver patients to far-off treatment

by Cheryl Ruley
Staff Writer

The Volunteer Mercy Pilots are a group of licensed aviators and their helpers who volunteer their skills, planes, and fuel in order to get patients to medical facilities without the discomforts of a long car ride.

"No one in Michigan should have to go without the best medical treatment just because they don't have a way there," said Ken Osman, founder of Volunteer Mercy Pilots, based in Lansing.

"The people in Crawford County and the surrounding area are not aware of our services," Osman said. "And, because Governor Engler has proclaimed the week of April 25 as 'Public Benefit Flying Week,' we thought it would be a good time to get the word out."

About 40 pilots, two dozen planes and 20 volunteers have been

involved in these missions of mercy, delivering 390 patients (500 to 600 including accompanying family members) to their medically-necessary destinations in the past year alone.

There are six such pilot groups in Michigan and they are dependent upon grant monies and donations to keep flying. However, many pilots give freely of their time and equipment at an estimated value of \$375 - \$450 per hour for each trip.

Osman said that his group is part of the United Way campaign and is mentored by the American Red Cross. Although the Mercy Pilots require their passengers have a medical necessity, they don't provide medical care in flight.

"We must make it very clear that we are not an air ambulance service. We are not allowed to give out so much as an aspirin to our passengers," Osman said.

There is a certain criteria each patient must meet before they can be transported by the Mercy Pilots:

- A doctor's written medical release stating the patient is able to travel in a light, unpressurized airplane;
- Patient does not require medical treatment in flight;
- Patient must be able to sit upright during the flight.

The Mercy Pilots are primarily a

medical taxi service, but sometimes they go above and beyond the call of duty. Once, when a young transplant patient's family hadn't arrived yet, the pilots waited at the hospital for her to come out of recovery so she wouldn't have to wake up alone.

"I have really enjoyed doing this for the past 12 years, Osman said. "I have seen people through long series of treatments and become well because they could get to the medical treatment they needed."

Some of Osman's upcoming passengers will be a group of seven people travelling to Chicago's O'Hare Airport for a connecting flight to Poland. Among them will be Emily Grosskopf and her mother, Linda who will be heading back to the Euromed Treatment Center in Mielno on April 30.

The flight by the Mercy Pilots will spare the Grosskopfs a tiresome ride to Detroit Metropolitan Airport and then a flight to O'Hare.

The Volunteer Mercy Pilots are ready to serve northern Michigan, when and where the need arises. For more information, contact Osman at (517) 627-4719 or, in an emergency, page him at (517) 342-8655.

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Girls Track. . . . 3B

Varsity Baseball Team continues to play well

by Caleb Casey
Staff Writer

With a record of 3-2 last week, the Grayling High School Varsity Baseball Team improved its overall record to 6-2 on the '99 season.

Last week's action included games at Roscommon and Gaylord, and a home match against West Branch Ogemaw Heights.

Grayling split a closely contested doubleheader with the Roscommon Bucks on Monday, April 19.

GHS won the first game by a final score of 8-7. Josh Sheldon was the winning pitcher, allowing just six hits in seven innings of work. He struck out nine and walked none en route to the victory.

The game was close all the way through. Roscommon scored three runs in the fourth to take a 4-2 lead with three innings to play.

Grayling came back in the fifth, scoring three runs to go up by one, 5-4. Roscommon scored a pair in the fifth and one in the sixth. The Vikings scored two in their half of the sixth, leaving the score tied at 7-7 going into the final inning.

GHS managed to put one across in the top of the seventh to go up 8-7, and the Viking defense chalked up a quick three outs to hang on for the victory.

Chad Ellis led the hitting attack with a double and two RBI.

Jeremy Latuszek, Ray Trudgeon, Jeremy Millikin, Rusty Strohpaal, Mike Ketchum and Sheldon each added one hit for the Vikings.

The Grayling team came out on the other side of a one-point game in the second half of the doubleheader, losing to Rosco 6-5.

Tobin took the loss for Grayling. He allowed six hits in five innings, and struck out four.

The game, which only went

five innings due to time constraints, was tied at 5-5 after three innings. The Vikes failed to score in their next two tries, and Roscommon put one across in the fifth to take the 6-5 win.

Haskel was the leading hitter, going 2 for 3 and scoring two runs in the game. Ellis, Tobin, Latuszek and Trudgeon each added one hit.

In another non-conference match-up, the Vikings traveled to Gaylord on Tuesday, April 20. Grayling lost another close one, this time in extra innings, by a score of 5-4.

"Jeremiah Johnson pitched a strong game, and should have picked up the win," said Coach Fred Wolcott.

Johnson surrendered five hits in seven-and-a-third innings. He struck out six. Trudgeon took the loss, pitching in relief of Johnson.

The game was locked at 4-4 after seven innings. The Blue Devils scored the winning run in the ninth after their lead-off batter was hit by a pitch and later scored on an error.

The teams were not able to play a second game.

The leading hitter for Grayling was Trudgeon at 2 for 5. Latuszek, Haskel, Tobin, Travis Huber, Millikin, Ketchum, and Sheldon each added one hit.

Grayling regrouped after the two one-point losses and swept a doubleheader at home against West Branch Ogemaw Heights on Friday, April 23.

With Sheldon back on the mound for the first game, the Vikes won 5-0.

Sheldon allowed only four hits in the shutout, pitching the entire seven innings. He threw just 77 pitches. The contest was his second complete game of the week, and the second in which he failed to yield a base on balls, extending his streak to 14 straight innings without a walk.

Latuszek batted 2 for 3 with one RBI, and Tobin hit a two-run homer in the third inning to lead the offensive attack. Trudgeon, Millikin, and Haskel each added

one hit.

Grayling racked up a decisive 12-3 victory in the second game.

Tobin pitched the entire seven innings and picked up the win. He struck out eight and allowed six hits.

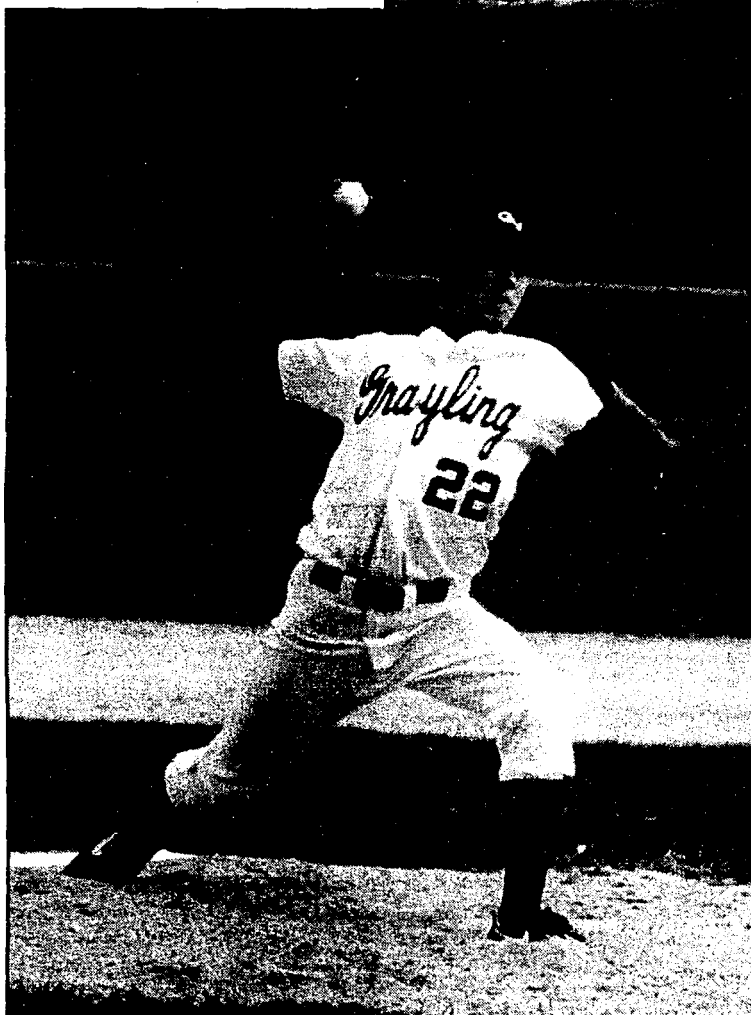
Leading hitters for GHS were: Tobin, 2 for 3, (including a grand slam home run), 6 RBI; Latuszek, 2 for 3, 3 RBI; Haskel, 2 for 4; Huber, 1 for 2, 1 RBI; Ketchum, 1 for 3.

Grayling will host the Gladwin Flying G's on Friday, April 30. Game time is 4 p.m.

Friday's game will be the first in which concessions will be sold. The concession stand, sponsored by the Viking Football Club, will have hot dogs, candy and beverages on hand for baseball and softball fans at all Grayling home games this season, including junior varsity contests.



AT THE PLATE -- GHS junior Eli Tobin steps up to bat. Tobin hit well last week, including a grand slam against West Branch Ogemaw Heights.



BASEBALL ACTION -- (above) Left-handed batter Rusty Strohpaal puts the ball in play. (left) Pitcher Jeremy Millikin gets ready to toss one. The Vikings won three more games last week, and lost two matches by one run each. The Vikes will continue play in the North East Michigan Conference this Friday, April 30, with a doubleheader at home against the Tawas Braves. Grayling will have a rematch with Gaylord, this time at home, on May 3.

Junior Varsity Baseball Team off to a 10-0 start

Grayling High School's Junior Varsity Baseball Team opened its 1999 season by sweeping five straight doubleheaders for a total of 10 wins and 0 losses.

On opening day (April 14), Brad Gorski pitched a two-hitter against Boyne City in the first game, leading the Vikings to an 11-1 victory.

Gorski, Mike D'Amour, Rocky Xiong, Max Schreiner and Larry Baynham each had two hits for the Vikings. Mike Pratt added a two-run home run to the offensive effort.

D'Amour pitched a two-hitter in game two of the doubleheader. Grayling won the game by a final score of 13-0.

Levi Burkett led the batting with four hits. Ryan Swope had three hits and Gorski added two hits. Swope and Schreiner each had three RBI.

Grayling's next doubleheader also resulted in Viking sweep, this

time of the Blazers of Kalkaska. The Vikes won the games by scores of 12-3 and 12-0.

Burkett tossed a seven-hitter for GHS, and Gorski and Ryan Mahaffy each racked up three hits in game one. Burkett, Xiong and Larry Baynham each had two hits apiece.

In the nightcap, pitcher Justin Schreiber threw a one-hitter. Mahaffy led the offense with four hits and four RBI. Gorski and Burkett chipped in with two hits each.

In week two of the Vikings' season, Grayling started out with a home series against Roscommon.

Gorski pitched a great first game, allowing just one hit and striking out 16 batters.

Grayling won the game 7-1.

Mahaffy and Schreiber each had two hits and two RBI apiece.

In game two, which Grayling won 13-4, Baynham tossed a two-

hitter.

On offense, Mahaffy led the way with three hits. Gorski and D'Amour had two hits and two RBI each.

Grayling continued its string of wins with a pair of victories at home versus Gaylord, beating the visiting Blue Devils by scores of 12-3 and 16-1.

D'Amour picked up the win in the first game, allowing six hits and striking out 10.

Gorski, D'Amour and Mahaffy had three hits apiece. D'Amour hit a two-run home run and had four RBI overall.

Schreiber pitched his second consecutive one-hitter in the second contest.

Burkett and Swope each had two hits, and D'Amour knocked in five runs.

On Friday, April 23, the Vikings began league play with a pair of games at West Branch versus

Ogemaw Heights.

GHS won the first game by a final score of 7-6.

With Gorski on the mound and pitching a two-hitter, the Vikings led 7-0 going into the final inning. West Branch threatened, scoring six runs in the seventh, but Grayling held on for the victory.

Gorski picked up his third win of the season, improving his record to 3-0.

Swope chalked up three RBI, and Schreiner drove in two runs.

The Vikings won the second game as well, this time by a score of 14-8, despite six costly errors.

Schreiner led the offense with three hits. D'Amour drove in three runs, and Pratt racked up two RBI.

Burkett took the win, moving his record up to 2-0 on the year. (D'Amour and Schreiber are also both 2-0 on the mound, and Baynham is 1-0.)

Leading hitters for the Vikings after 10 games are: Mahaffy, .531, 14 RBI; Swope, .526, 11 RBI; Gorski, .515, 8 RBI; Xiong, .438, 6 RBI; Burkett, .424, 8 RBI; D'Amour, .400, 18 RBI; Schreiner, .368, 10 RBI.

The Vikings will head to Tawas on Friday, April 30, and will travel to Gaylord on Monday, May 3. Their next home game will be on Tuesday, May 4, vs. Pinconning.



PITCHING -- Brad Gorski pitches for the Viking JV Team. Gorski has a 3-0 record on the hill so far this year. The team is an impressive 10-0.

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Girls Track Team runs well against NEMC opponents

by Caleb Casey
Staff Writer

Grayling High School's Girls Track squad hosted two North East Michigan Conference (NEMC) teams on Wednesday, April 21: the Panthers of Standish Sterling Central and the Saginaw Valley Lutheran Chargers.

The Vikings came up short in team points, but the Grayling girls posted several first place finishes against both visiting NEMC teams.

GHS lost to Saginaw Valley by a score of 45-64, and fell to Standish 28-99.

Grayling was again unable to fill several events due to shortage of participants this year.

The following were Grayling's top placements against Saginaw Valley Lutheran:

3200 meter relay: Mary Dobry, Kathy Wyman, Karen Wyman, Gina Thompson, 1st place; 800 meter relay: Kathy Wyman, Karen

Wyman, Thompson, Tiffany Ruark, 1st;

1600 meter run: Dobry, 1st; 100 meter dash: Heather Lynch, 2nd; 400 meter dash: Thompson, 2nd; 3200 meter run: Kathy Wyman, 1st, Karen Wyman, 2nd; 800 meter run: Dobry, 1st;

200 meter dash: Lynch, 3rd; shot put, Katie Bonne, 2nd; discus, Bonne, 1st; long jump: Lynch, 3rd.

The Vikes placed in the following events versus Standish Sterling Central:

3200 meter relay: Dobry, Kathy Wyman, Karen Wyman, Gina Thompson, 1st place; 800 meter relay: Kathy Wyman, Karen Wyman, Thompson, Ruark, 2nd;

1600 meter run: Dobry, 2nd; Thompson, 3rd; 100 meter dash, Lynch, 3rd; 3200 meter run: Kathy Wyman, 1st, Karen Wyman, 3rd;

800 meter run: Dobry, 1st; shot put: Bonne, 2nd, Thompson, 3rd; discus: Bonne, 2nd.

The Vikings will compete in the Clare Invitational on Friday, April 30, and will head to Bay City on

Wednesday, May 5, to take on NEMC teams from Oscoda and Bay City John Glenn.



RELAY -- Tiffany Ruark (left) hands off to Gina Thompson in the 800 meter relay event. The team, which also includes Karen Wyman and Kathy Wyman, took first place against Saginaw Valley Lutheran.

Viking Girls Golf Team opens 1999 season

by Caleb Casey
Staff Writer

The Grayling High School Varsity Girls Golf Team competed in a pair of home meets last week, hosting Petoskey on Monday, April 19, and Alpena on Thursday, April 22.

In Monday's season opener the Vikings lost to Petoskey 442-391. "We lost a close match," said Coach Tanya Wolcott.

Marianne Vollmer posted

Grayling's low score of 43.

The Vikes also lost to Alpena, but managed to improve their team score by 49 strokes.

Vollmer again had the low score for GHS with 42.

"We played a tough meet against Alpena," said Coach Wolcott. "They have a lot of experience on their team, but we played a good match. We have a lot of beginning golfers that are improving daily."

The Varsity Girls Golf Team will host Traverse City West on Thursday, April 29. The team will face Bay City John Glenn in another home meet on Monday, May 3. Both meets start at 4 p.m.

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Varsity Baseball
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Viking of the Week



Varsity Girls Track
Coach: Diane Isenbauer
MARY DOBRY

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Coach: Tanya Wolcott

MARIANNE VOLLMER

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Young track team continues to progress

by Caleb Casey
Staff Writer

Grayling High School's Boys Track Team competed well against visiting Standish Sterling Central and Saginaw Valley Lutheran on Wednesday, April 21.

The Vikings were unable to score a team victory against either squad, but scored several top placements in various events.

"I was very pleased with the effort of each of the athletes," said Coach Chott. "We're progressing nicely as a young track team. The lack of numbers will always be against us, but the improvement for each boy will be evident as we go through the season."

Grayling lost to Standish Sterling by just six points, 63-69. The Vikes placed in the following events:

3200 meter relay: Brett Black, Armand Lawrence, Scott Latusek, Peter Mead, 1st place; 800 meter relay: Matt Birk, Alan Geiss, Mike Moon, Carter Pavey, 2nd;

1600 meter run: Peter Mead, 1st; 400 meter relay: Kyle Maples, Pavey, Kevin Jansen, R. Hinkle, 1st; 3200 meter run: R.J. Schmidt, 1st, Dan Corwin, 2nd; discus: Lawrence, 2nd;

800 meter run: Lawrence, 1st, Black, 2nd, Jared Medler, 3rd; long jump: Hinkle, 1st, Maples, 2nd; high jump: Hinkle, 1st; pole vault: Mead, 200 meter dash: Hinkle, 1st, Maples, 3rd.

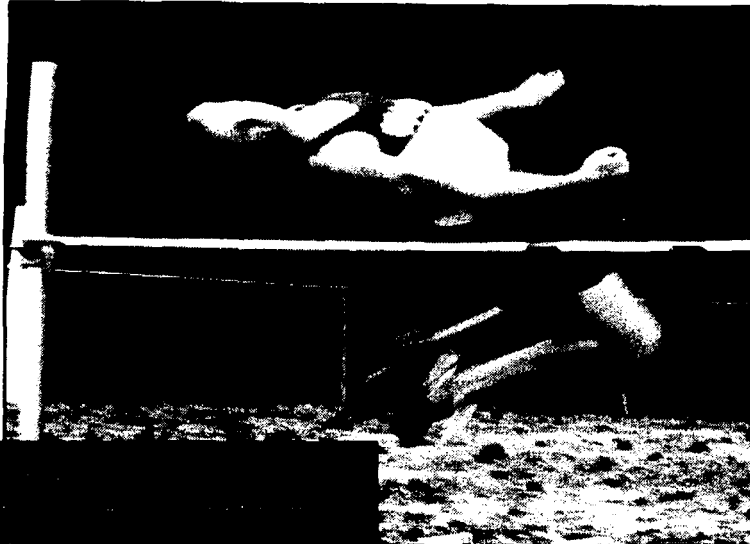
Against Saginaw Valley Lutheran the Vikings scored 43 team points to Saginaw's 89. Grayling track members posted top finishes in the following events:

110 meter high hurdles: Peter Belcher, 2nd; 100 meter dash: Maples, 2nd; 400 meter relay:

Maples, Pavey, Jansen, Hinkle, 1st; 300 meter low hurdles, Jansen, 2nd;

200 meter dash: Hinkle, 1st; shot put: Nick Baynham, 3rd; discus: Lawrence, 1st; long jump: Hinkle, 1st, Maples, 2nd; high jump: Hinkle, 1st.

The Viking track squad will head to the Clare Invitational meet on Friday, April 30, and will travel to Bay City on Wednesday, May 5, to take on Oscoda and Bay City John Glenn.



HIGH JUMP -- Nate Hinkle took first in the high jump last week versus Saginaw Valley and Standish.



HURDLES -- Pete Belcher competes in a hurdles event last week against runners from Standish and Saginaw Valley.

Little League holds tryouts, some spots still open

Grayling Little League completed tryouts on Saturday, April 24, in anticipation of the season opener on Monday, May 17.

There are still several possible openings for roster spots in the younger age categories.

Questions about team rosters can be directed to Player Agent Dianne Tobin at 517-348-5361.



LITTLE LEAGUE -- Coaches and players gather for Little League tryouts. Some roster spots are still open in the younger age groups.

Ladies Golf League to hold organizational meeting

The Ladies Monday Night Golf League will hold its organizational meeting on Monday, May 3, at 5 p.m. at the Grayling Country Club.

There will be an opportunity to go

out and play some golf after the meeting.

The Grayling Country Club is now a "spikeless" course, so be sure to make the switch before heading out onto the course.

Remember: A partner is not required to participate in this "fun" league.

If you have any questions please contact Julie Calkins at 348-5737 or Laurie Krey at 348-3189.

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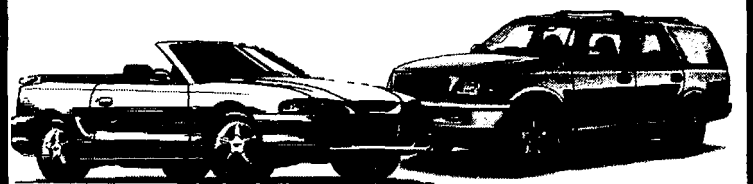
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Viking of the Week



Varsity Boys Track

Coach: John Chott

PETER MEAD

Pete has been the 1st place pole vaulter for GHS since track was reinstated 4 years ago. This past week, he took 1st against both opponents in pole vault, and took a 1st in the 1600 meter run. Pete also ran a leg on the winning 3200 meter relay team.

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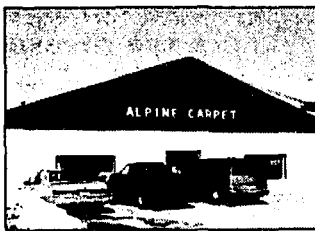
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TOP FREE THROW SHOOTER -- Local student athlete Emily Henion earned the title of "State Champion" at the Knights of Columbus Free Throw Championship, which was held on March 14 at Pewamo-Westphalia School. Competing against seven other regional winners, Henion hit 21 of 25 to take the championship title. To get to the final competition, Henion hit 22/25 at regionals, 19/25 at districts, and a perfect 15/15 in the local tournament.

BOWLING LEAGUE

American Men		Stitches by Sue	
Gaylord Ford	42 - 14	High Game: T. Kotrash, 278; M. Keir, 248; T. Devins, 246.	17 - 39
McLean's Ace	37 - 19	High Series: T. Kotrash, 726; M. Keir, 717; D. Canfield, 623.	
Joel's Team	32 - 24		
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Moore's Auto	21 - 35		
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GRA spring soccer in full swing

The Grayling Recreation Authority (GRA) spring soccer season is underway at Hanson Hills. The season officially began last Saturday, April 24, with 140 children participating this year.

"Our soccer program has grown a lot over the last few years," said Joe Lehman, Sports Director at GRA. "We are excited to offer a program that attracts so many people."

GRA offers soccer in the fall and the spring. The fall season typically has a larger turnout. Last fall 198 children participated.

Soccer is played behind the softball field at Hanson Hills.

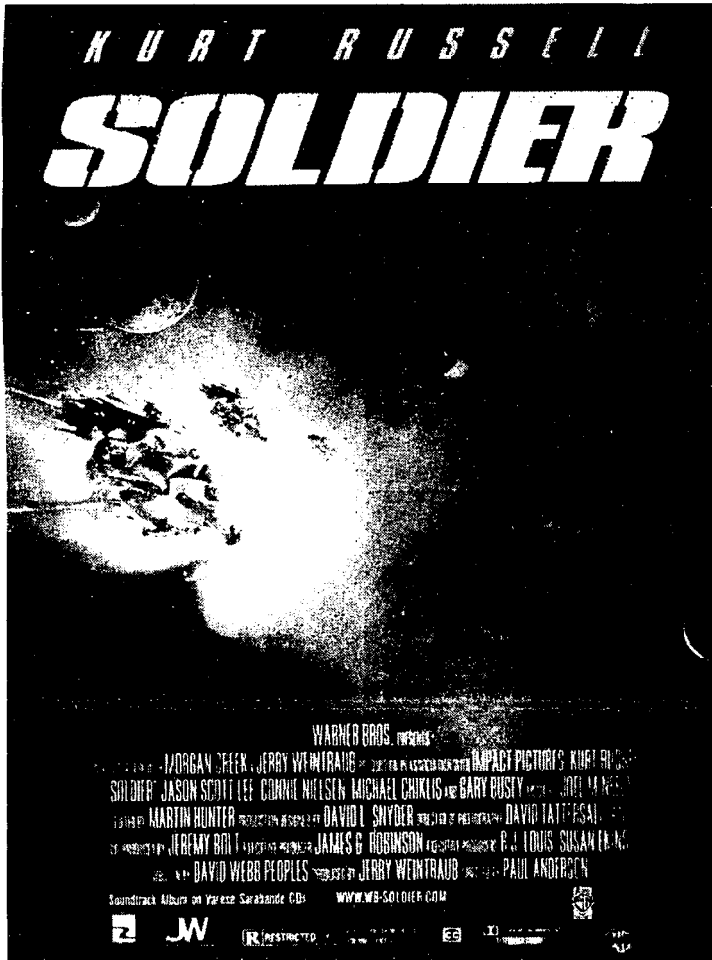
Improvements to the field are being planned and the GRA Soccer Steering committee is selling submarine sandwiches to raise funds to help with the costs of having better fields.

The fundraiser started on Saturday, April 24, and orders must be in by Saturday, May 8. Subs will be picked up and delivered on May 21 at Hanson Hills. If you are interested in supporting this effort, please call GRA at 348-9266.



GRA SOCCER -- Youth soccer players move the ball upfield.

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LEGAL ACTION

**STATE OF MICHIGAN
CIRCUIT COURT
COUNTY OF CRAWFORD
Order for Alternative
Service**

File No. 99-4768-CH(M)
Daniel K. VanMaele, Plaintiff
vs
Michael R. Dodyk, Defendant.

At a session of said Court held in the City of Grayling, County of Crawford, State of Michigan, on this 22 day of March, 1999.

PRESENT: HONORABLE DENNIS F. MURPHY/CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE

THE COURT having considered the Plaintiff's Motion for Alternative Service, and being persuaded of the necessity for Alternative Service, **NOW THEREFORE,**

IT IS ORDERED THAT the Defendant in this matter, **MICHAEL R. DODYK**, is hereby to be served by way of posting upon the property located within Crawford County, Michigan and by Notice through publication in the Crawford County Avalanche. Said publication shall be pub-

lished once each week for three (3) consecutive weeks directing the Defendants as follows:

TO THE DEFENDANT, MICHAEL R. DODYK:

1. You are being sued under a **COMPLAINT TO QUIET TITLE** within the County of Crawford, State of Michigan;

2. THAT an ANSWER needs to be filed within 28 days at the Crawford County Circuit Court, 200 W. Michigan Ave., Grayling, Michigan, 49738, or other action permitted by law or court rules must be taken.

3. THAT a failure to ANSWER or to take other action will result in a default and default judgment being enforced against the Defendant, **MICHAEL R. DODYK.**

**HONORABLE DENNIS F. MURPHY
CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE**

**TERRENCE H. BLOOMQUIST P 10903
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LEGAL ACTION

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by **Andrew Decker** and **Della Decker**, husband and wife (original mortgagors) to Mortgage America (IMC), Inc., Mortgagee, dated September 19, 1997, and recorded on November 19, 1997 in Liber 442, on Page 90, Crawford County Records, Michigan, and was assigned by said mortgagee to the IMC Mortgage Company, as assignee by an assignment dated March 9, 1999 which was recorded on March 30, 1999, in Liber 477, on Page 569, Crawford County Records, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of TWENTY-SIX THOUSAND SIXTY-SIX AND 96/100 dollars (\$26,066.96), including interest at 12.950% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgage premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the front door of the County Building in Grayling, Michigan at 10:00 a.m., on May 26, 1999.

Said premises are situated in the Township of Frederic, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as:

Beginning at a point on the East and West centerline 487 feet East of the Southwest corner of the Southwest 1/4 of the Northwest 1/4; thence North 190 feet; thence East 100 feet; thence South 190 feet; thence West 100 feet to the point of beginning. Section 35, Township 28 North, Range 4 West.

The redemption period shall be 6 month(s) from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with 1948CL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: April 15, 1999

For information, please call:

(248) 593-1303

Trott & Trott, P.C.

Attorneys for IMC Mortgage Company

30150 Telegraph Road, Suite 100

Bingham Farms, MI 48025

File # 981212875

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STATE OF MICHIGAN PROBATE COURT COUNTY OF CRAWFORD Claims Notice Independent Probate

File No. 99-5976-1E
Estate of JAMES K. WILTSE, deceased, 375-36-5863.

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS:

Your interest in the estate may be barred or affected by the following:
The decedent, whose last known address was 101D, State St., P.O. Box 115, Grayling, Michigan 49738, died 04/21/99.

Creditors of the deceased are notified that all claims against the estate will be forever barred unless presented to the independent personal representative, Matthew J. Wiltse, 1323 Cobblestone Ct., Traverse City, Michigan 49684, or to both the independent personal representative and the Crawford County Probate Court, Grayling, Michigan, 49738, within 4 months of the date of publication of this notice. Notice is further given that the estate will be thereafter assigned and distributed to the persons entitled to it.

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STATE OF MICHIGAN IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE COUNTY OF CRAWFORD

File No. 99-4760-CK (D)

Donald L. Ososki, Plaintiff vs Azucena Kimber, d/b/a Frogie's Pub & Grub, Donald O. Ewald and Mary Diane Ewald, Defendants.

NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE IS GIVEN that by virtue of a Judgment of the Circuit Court Clerk for the County of Crawford, Michigan, dated March 25, 1999, directing the sale of the following-described property, I shall offer the said property for public sale to the highest bidder at the front door of the Courthouse at 200 West Michigan Avenue, Grayling, Michigan in Crawford County, that being the place of holding the Circuit Court on Wednesday, May 19, 1999 at 11:30 a.m.

Parcel A: Part of the East 1/2 of the Northeast 1/4 of Section 22 and part of the West 1/2 of the Northwest 1/4 of Section 23, Town 26 North, Range 2 West, Grayling Township, Crawford County, Michigan. Commencing at the Northeast corner of said Section 22; thence South (along the Section line), 1184.0 feet to the Point of Beginning; thence South 72 degrees 00' E 56.6 feet to the Westerly right of way of Wakeley Bridge Road; thence South 7 degrees 20' W (along said right of way), 115.0 feet; thence South 84 degrees 59' W, 84.40 feet; thence South 50 degrees 07' W, 91.20 feet to the Northeastly right of way of M-72; thence North 42 degrees 15' W (along the Northeastly right of way of M-72), 110.0 feet; thence North 33 degrees 42' E 175.0 feet; thence South 72 degrees 00' E 96.4 feet to the Point of Beginning.

Date: 4/15/99

Richard F. Meyer, Jr.

Deputy Sheriff

David R. Sabin P19822

Attorney for Plaintiff

115 Michigan Avenue

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STATE OF MICHIGAN COUNTY OF CRAWFORD

To the Owner or Owners of any and all Interests in, or Liens upon the Lands herein described:

Theresa Stempkowski last grantee in the regular chain of title of such lands or of any interest therein as appearing by the records in the office of the Register of Deeds of Said County.

Take Notice: Sale was lawfully made of the following described land for unpaid taxes on that land, and that the undersigned has title to the land under tax deed or deeds issued for the land. You are entitled to a reconveyance of this land within 6 months after return of service of this notice, upon payment to the undersigned or to the treasurer of the county in which the land is situated,

of all sums paid for the tax sale purchase, together with 50% in addition, and the fees of the sheriff for the service or cost of publication of this notice. The service or publication costs shall be the same as if for personal service of a summons upon commencement of an action, together with a sum of \$5.00 for each description, without other additional cost or charge. If payment as described in this notice is not made, the undersigned will institute proceedings for possession of the land.

Description of Land: County of Crawford, Portage Lake Park - 1st Addition, Block 1, Lots 28, 29, 35, 37 and 39. Taxes paid for 1994: \$50.58; taxes paid for 1995: \$221.75.

Amount necessary to redeem, \$413.40 plus the fees of the Sheriff.

Ronald Baker

P.O. Box 369

Grayling MI 49738

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STATE OF MICHIGAN DISTRICT COURT COUNTY OF CRAWFORD

Order to Answer

File No. 99-025-LT

Jerry M. Kraycs and Sheila Kraycs, husband and wife, Plaintiffs

v

R. David Crocker and Kathy R. Crocker, husband and wife, Defendants.

TO: R. David Crocker and Kathy R. Crocker:

1. An action has been filed against you regarding certain real estate in Crawford County.

2. IT IS ORDERED that you shall file your answer with this Court and serve it upon the attorney for the Plaintiffs, or take such other action as may be permitted by law, within twenty-eight (28) days of the last publication of this order.

3. Failure to comply with this Order may result in a judgment by default against you for the relief demanded in the complaint.

4. IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that a copy of this Order be published once each week for three consecutive weeks in Crawford County, Michigan, the county in which certain real estate in this action is located.

Honorable John G. Hunter

District Court Judge

Dated: March 23, 1999

Carey & Jaskowski, P.L.L.C.

by: Richard J. Jaskowski (P47123)

Attorney for Plaintiffs

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NOTICE LOVELLS TOWNSHIP RESIDENTS

A recent vacancy on the Board of Review Board needs to be filled. Any qualified electors, landowners or taxpayers interested in filling out the rest of this 2 year term can contact the Lovells Township Hall at 348-9215 on Tuesdays, Wednesdays or Thursdays.

Cheryl Hopp

Lovells Township Clerk

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NOTICE

Hendrick Westers: The Animal Shelter of Crawford County is in possession of a Mastomute mix named Spelter of Crawford County. If I do not hear from you by May 13, 1999 I will take whatever action is allowed by the laws of the State of Michigan and the 46th District Court.

Dixie L. Lobsinger, Director

Animal Shelter of Crawford County

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A PUBLIC NOTICE FROM FREDERIC TOWNSHIP

Notice 1.

The Frederic Township Board of Trustees, will be changing it's regular meeting of May 4, 1999, to May 11, 1999, at 7 p.m. to be held at the Frederic Township Hall located at 7564 Co. Rd. 612, Frederic, MI 49733.

Notice 2.

As of May 26, 1999, the following policies for trash service will be strictly applied.

1. No loose garbage in cans will be picked up.
2. A maximum of 5 bags per household per week will be picked up.
3. A maximum weight of 20 pounds per bag. Those weighing more will not be picked up.
4. No longer will the township be able to pick up large items.
5. Large items may be taken to the Frederic Township Hall on Thursdays and Sundays from the hours of 12 p.m. to 5 p.m.

Note: Items not fitting the above criteria will not be picked up.

Notice 3.

The Frederic Township Zoning Board will be discussing a public hearing on May 6, 1999, at 7 p.m. The purpose will be to discuss plans for a Natural River District for the Manistee River system within the township of Frederic. The meeting will be held at the Frederic Township Hall, located at 7564 Co. Rd. 612, Frederic, MI 49733.

Nancy Bindschattel

Township Clerk

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NOTICE TO BIDDERS

Road Commission for Crawford County C.R. 612 Over N. Branch AuSable River Bridge Rail and Approach Guardrail Repairs

Crawford County

Grayling, Michigan

The Road Commission for Crawford County will accept sealed bids at the Road Commissions offices, 500 Huron Road, Grayling, Michigan, 49738, until 10 A.M. local time, April 29, 1999 for bridge rail and guardrail construction services.

The project consists of removal and replacement of 100 LFT of Bridge Railing, Guardrail Type; removal and replacement of 4 ea. Guardrail Anchorage-Bridge, Nested Type; removal and replacement of 150 LFT of Galvanized Beam Guardrail, Type B; removal and replacement of 4 ea. Guardrail Approach Terminals; and installation of 28 reflectorized washers.

The instructions to bidders and the drawings and specifications may be examined at the office of the Road Commission for Crawford County, and also at the office of the engineer, Northwest Design Group, Inc., 480 West Mitchell, Petoskey, Michigan, 49770, (616)348-1180. Bidding documents may be purchased from the engineer for the non-refundable fee of \$15.00 per set.

Bids must be made upon the appropriate bidding forms. All bids must be plainly marked as to their content. A five percent (5.0%) bid security must accompany each bid.

No bid may be withdrawn for 30 days after the bid opening date.

The Road Commission for Crawford County reserves the right to reject any or all bids, to waive defects in bids, and to accept bids and make awards in any manner deemed in its own best interest.

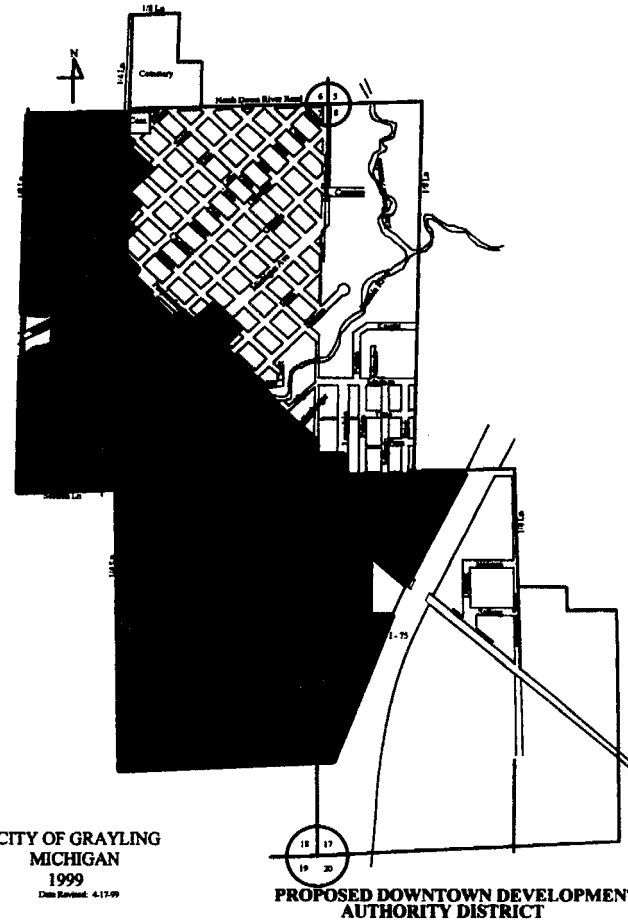
Road Commission for Crawford County

Donald Babcock, Managing Director

CITY OF GRAYLING NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the City Council of the City of Grayling will hold a public hearing at 7:30 p.m. on Monday, May 24, 1999 at the Crawford-AuSable Middle School, 500 Spruce Street, Grayling, Michigan 49738, to consider the adoption of an ordinance establishing a Downtown Development Authority for the City of Grayling pursuant to Act 197 of the Michigan Public Acts of 1975, as amended.

The proposed boundaries of the downtown district in which the Downtown Development Authority will exercise its powers are generally described as follows and shown on the map below:



Downtown Development Authority Boundary Description
City of Grayling, Michigan

The properties described below shall constitute the Grayling Downtown Development Authority District:

Parcel A:

The portion of Section 17, T26N, R3W lying Northwest of the Western Right of Way line of Interstate 75 Highway except:

Commencing at the Northwest corner of Section 17, T26N, R3W, thence South 01 degrees 53 minutes West along the section line 692.75 feet; thence South 88 degrees 07 minutes, East 130 feet; thence South 01 degrees 53 minutes West 423.25 feet; thence S 88 degrees 07 minutes East 499.5 feet to the Point of Beginning; thence North 01 degrees 53 minutes W 113.59 feet; thence South 45 degrees 49 minutes East along the Right of Way of PCRR 767.6 feet; thence South 27 degrees 23 minutes 30 seconds West along the westerly Right of Way of I-75 240 feet; thence North 88 degrees 07 minutes West 397.96 feet; thence North 01 degrees 53 minutes East 620.52 feet; thence North 88 degrees 07 minutes West 66.0 feet to Point of Beginning; and excepting

Commencing at the Northwest corner of Section 17, T26N, R3W; thence South 0 degree 51 minutes 10 seconds West 1182 feet; thence South 88 degrees 07 minutes East 629.5 feet; thence South 1 degree 53 minutes 54 seconds West 554.42 feet to Point of Beginning; thence South 88 degrees 07 minutes East 463.72 feet; thence South 27 degrees 19 minutes 18 seconds West 329.28 feet; thence North 62 degrees 40 minutes 42 seconds West 225.04 feet; thence North 88 degrees 07 minutes West 118.74 feet; thence North 1 degree 47 minutes 28 seconds East 200.69 feet to Point of Beginning; and excepting

Commencing at the Northwest corner of Section 17, T26N, R3W; thence South 0 degree 51 minutes 10 seconds West 1182 feet; thence South 88 degrees 07 minutes East 629.5 feet; thence South 1 degree 53 minutes 54 seconds West 554.42 feet; thence South 88 degrees 07 minutes East 463.72 feet; thence South 27 degrees 19 minutes 18 seconds West 329.28 feet to Point of Beginning; thence continuing South 27 degrees 19 minutes 18 seconds West 275 feet; thence North 88 degrees 6 minutes 59 seconds West 203.28 feet; thence North 1 degree 47 minutes 28 seconds East 345 feet; thence South 88 degrees 7 minutes East 118.74 feet; thence South 62 degrees 40 minutes 42 seconds East 225.04 feet to Point of Beginning.

Parcel B:

The East 1/2 of Section 18, T26N, R3W lying north of the South 1/8th line of said section.

Parcel C:

That portion of Section 7, T26N, R3W lying between the West 1/8th line and south of the Northern Right of Way line of the Lake State Railroad, except Lots 3, 4, 5, 6, 20, 21, 22, 23, Parcel B and the South 1/2 of Parcel A of Green Timbers Subdivision.

Parcel D:

That portion of Section 7, T26N, R3W lying west of the Eastern Right of Way line of Business Loop I-75 and North of the Southern Right of Way line of M-72 highway; and

That portion of Section 7, T26N, R3W, beginning at the Southeast corner of Section 7, T26N, R3W, thence north to the intersection of the Centerline of Oliver Street; thence northerly along said centerline to the North line of the AuSable River; thence westerly along said North line of the AuSable River to the North Right of Way line of the Lake States Railroad; thence southerly along said Lake States Railroad Right of Way line to the South line of Section 7, T26N, R8W; thence east to the Point of Beginning; and

That part of the Original Plat of the City of Grayling located south of the centerline of Peninsula Street extended to the North line of the AuSable River and north of the North Right of Way line of the Lake State Railroad, and south of Lake Street, except lots 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, and 6 of Block 3 and except lots 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6 of Block 14; and

That portion of lots 1, 2, 3, 10, 11 and 12 of Block 11, and lots 4, 5, 6, 7, 8 and 9 of Block 20 and the adjacent portion of Spruce Street, in the Original Plat of the City of Grayling; and

That portion of the Roffee's Addition to the City of Grayling lying northwest of lots 6 and 7, Block 27; and

That portion of the Roffee's Addition to the City of Grayling known as lots 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6 of Block 27 and all of Block 31 of the City of Grayling; and

That portion of the Roffee's Addition to the City of Grayling known as lots 3, 4, 5, 6, 7 and 8 of Block 32 of the City of Grayling; and

Parcel C and Block 10 of the original Plat of the City of Grayling.

Parcel E:

That part of Section 8, T26N, R3W known as Lot 1 of Martha M. Brink's Addition to the City of Grayling.

All aspects of the establishment of the Downtown Development Authority and the boundaries of the downtown district will be open for discussion at the public hearing. The City Council will provide an opportunity for interested persons to speak and be heard and shall receive and consider communications in writing with reference thereto. The proposed Ordinance establishing the Authority and designating the boundaries of the downtown district is on file with the City Clerk and available for public inspection.

Dated: April 26, 1999

Jerry Morford

City Clerk

FEATURES

HOROSCOPES

For The Week Of May 2-8

- Aries**
March 20-April 20

Be sure to stay on top of things and finish what you start. Letting things slide now could cause problems later. Your imagination soars and lets you escape a dull routine. Other people want to help you but are unsure how you'll respond, so be gracious and accept their advice and support in the spirit it is offered.
- Taurus**
April 21-May 21

Personal and professional pressures may be building up, but hang on, you will come out ahead. You keep things in perspective with help from family and friends. Due to your enthusiasm, people will take your side. A special night out or trip will boost your spirits.
- Gemini**
May 22-June 21

See yourself as others do, and see others in a realistic light. Don't let your heart overrule your better judgment. Now is not the time to take things for granted. Make sure you read the fine print and check out the details. Draw inspiration and solutions from past successes to deal with current problems.
- Cancer**
June 22-July 22

You have time to catch up on things as well as enjoy your accomplishments. Do more listening than talking. Idle talk can come back to haunt you. Your attitude improves, and you could be the one others turn to for support. Be helpful but refuse to get drawn into a bad situation.
- Leo**
July 23-August 23

Take added responsibilities; soon distractions will dwindle to a minimum, and you'll have plenty of time and energy for important matters. Keep plans simple for the immediate future; anything too elaborate could backfire. Do your research for best results.
- Virgo**
August 24-September 22

You know the right time to say the right thing. Someone who has been opposing you could move to your side. You could reunite with old friends. Be sure to take care of yourself and don't forget your needs. Listening to a friend or loved one who needs to talk could score points as well as give you a new perspective.
- Libra**
September 23-October 23

You have more energy and enthusiasm, but refuse to get drawn in over your head. You may be frustrated with those who need more help than you can give. Know when to back off from a situation. Stay calm and keep a close eye on situations for your best advantage.
- Scorpio**
October 24-November 22

Trust your instincts. Someone you consider a friend may be interested in getting ahead at your expense. Keep an eye on your budget; check receipts and charges. Don't neglect domestic chores and responsibilities. Loved ones will come through when they're needed most.
- Sagittarius**
November 23-December 21

You have the time and the information to find the source of a problem and clear it up. Strive to see the big picture and refuse to get bogged down with small details. Don't be too proud to accept help from friends and family members. Take a small break and get away to collect your thoughts.
- Capricorn**
December 22-January 20

Ask questions and be persistent in order to get the answers you need. Support from a friend or family member could have strings attached; be aware and decide if you want to pay that price. An older person offers helpful advice, while a younger person's enthusiasm proves contagious.
- Aquarius**
January 21-February 18

Make an effort to balance work and family. A goal to extremes with either one will cause problems. Do things with a group rather than alone. There's safety in numbers—and fun, too. Taking a moderate risk could lead to a big reward. Try to keep a secret, though it may be hard. You'll be glad you did.
- Pisces**
February 19-March 20

Be aware of what's going on around you—much is occurring behind the scenes, and there are clues. Do something romantic and fun. Now is the time to take the initiative and be bold. Travel and education, perhaps together, could be on the horizon. Catch up on phone calls and errands.

For Entertainment Purposes Only

RECIPE OF THE WEEK

Roasted Shallots, Tomatoes & Arugula Salad

Serves 4
6 medium shallots, peeled
cut into fourths
1/2 cup olive oil
1/4 cup balsamic vinegar
1 tbsp. mustard salt
4 medium firm, ripe tomatoes, cut into fourths
1 cup arugula leaves, washed & dried pepper-corn mix, freshly ground

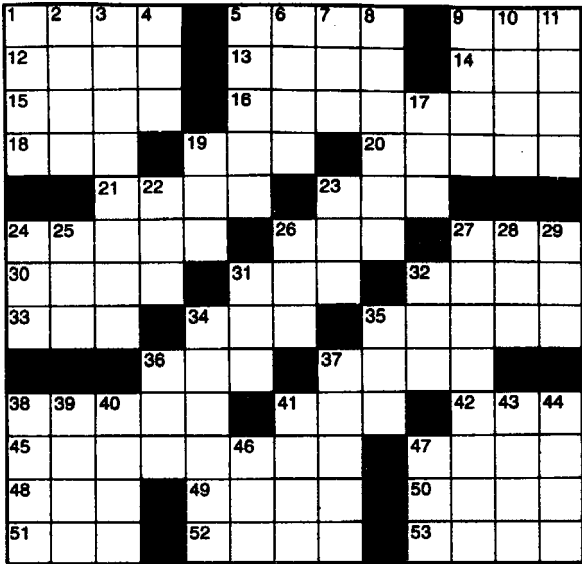
Preheat oven to 400 degrees. Pour 2 tablespoons of olive oil over the shallots

and place in baking dish. Bake until charred, about 20 minutes. Remove from oven and set aside. Whisk the balsamic vinegar with the mustard. Gradually add the remaining olive oil and whisk until creamy. Salt to taste and set aside. In a medium salad bowl, combine the roasted shallots, tomatoes and the arugula. Toss with the oil and vinegar mixture until well coated. Sprinkle with pepper-corn mix and toss. Divide salad on 4 individual salad plates and serve at room temperature.



HOME NEEDED - This Brittany Spaniel Mix is 1-2 years old. He seems to be very gentle and is housebroken. Be kind to Animals Week is May 1-7. The shelter will have extended hours April 30-May 2 for a Pet Adopt-Athon. To adopt any of the pets available, stop by or give the Animal Shelter of Crawford County a call at 348-4117.

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1. Metal used for galvanizing
5. Become less reserved
9. SST
12. Math calculation
13. Cindy Bear's beau
14. Fulfillment for Falstaff
15. French holiday
16. Perch for a Christmas partridge (2 wds.)
18. Finish
19. "_____ A Rebel"
20. Lets up
21. Some summer babies
23. Falklands feuder: abbr.
24. London street
26. Towel pronoun
27. Hair goop
30. _____ force
31. Neither's companion
32. Delilah portrayer
33. NBC rival
34. Use an ax
35. Flicka or Fury
36. Spanish hero
37. Skid row resident
38. Bounds along lightly
41. Gym pad
42. Wind dir.
45. Foray
47. '40s "New Look" designer
48. Yam measure
49. Mystery maven Gardner
50. Thompson of *Sense And Sensibility*
51. Have
52. Poor grades
53. Misfortunes

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1. Billy of *Titanic*
2. Fe
3. Unnecessary
4. Berkeley or Tech lead-in
5. Pounds the keyboard
6. Farming tools
7. _____ Khan
8. Electricians
9. Jolts
10. Robert _____ of VA
11. Plumbing joints
17. Garment label
19. On a roll
22. Scaredy cat's shout
23. _____ Mail (John Ford film)
24. Govt. agency
25. Scientist's work rm.
26. "_____ sweet it is!"
27. Skydiver's cry
28. Random House staffers: abbr.
29. Drain cleaner ingredient
31. Sparks or Beatty
32. Sweetie pie
34. Expressed disapproval
35. Batter's desire
36. Apr. 15 figure
37. Diminishes
38. Grain garage
39. Realized
40. Author Goncharov
41. Furry tunneler
43. Malamute's home, perhaps
44. Ages in history
46. Enrage
47. Dawn's moisture

ANSWERS IN CLASSIFIEDS

A LOOK AT OUR PAST FROM THE PAGES OF THE AVALANCHE

23 Years Ago April 29, 1976

A Grayling area resident, Dr. George Wallace, was the recipient of the Michigan Audubon Society's highest honor, the Distinguished Service Award at the Society's 72nd annual convention held recently at MSU. Wallace gained fame in the 1950's with a series of research papers documenting the effects of DDT on the natural food chain.

Mr. and Mrs. Otis Weaver of Frederic celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary Saturday, April 17 with a special service held at the First Baptist Church of Frederic. The choir, composed of 28 grandchildren sang several of their favorite hymns.

Dena Bovee has received a graduate assistant's job at the U of M where she will be working on her Master of Library Science degree.

Jon F. Schultz, a student at CMU was recently initiated into the Beta chapter of Kappa Mu Epsilon, the Mathematics Honorary Society.

On Friday morning, the Bear Archery plant was closed down. Plant officials claimed it was closed due to a threat of sabotage to the machinery. Union spokesmen denied this and said they had been locked out. The plant opened on Monday morning with non-union personnel reporting for work.

Gary McClain has been teaching more than 25 local students how to repair damaged fly rods, build new fly rods and how to tie their own wet and dry flies. This program has been initiated by the George Mason Chapter of Trout Unlimited to help the young people of Grayling develop an interest in trout fishing as a sport.

Thirty-nine people, aged 4 to 78, worked for three hours on roads around Lovells Saturday and picked up 125 large garbage bags of rub-

bish, 90% of which was disposable cans and bottles. The annual cleanup was sponsored by the Lovells Hook and Trigger Club.

The Crawford County 4-H spring achievements were announced recently. Blue ribbon winners in ceramics were Tonya Day and Rosie Davis; in decorator painting Kay Golnick, Karen Williams, Duane White and Paula Larson won blue ribbons; in Arts and Crafts Jody Stevenson, Robin Jorgenson and Debbie Robinson were winners; Steven Stephan won a blue ribbon for fly tying; Krystal Richmond won honors in cake decorating and winners of the essay contest were Kim Smith and Krystal Richmond.

46 Years Ago April 30, 1953

Les Hunter, Joe Bleiski and Walter SanCartier of Hunter's AuSable Dairy attended a sales talk meeting and dinner of the Dairyland Creamery Distributors of Valley Lee milk at the Hotel Doherty in Clare on April 21.

Many young fishermen got their limit of trout opening day. Among them were Roger Rasmussen, Leon D'Amour, Bob Strong, Bill Martin and Michael Sheehy. Michael, 11 years old, initiated a new fly rod his father brought him and got his limit in less than two hours. The fish were caught in the East Branch.

Mr. and Mrs. George Olson returned Thursday from Ft. Lauderdale, where they had spent the past three months.

Mrs. Harold MacNeven returned home last week after spending some time in Florida and Detroit.

69 Years Ago May 1, 1930

After a number of parleys and discussions between the building and finance committees and George N.

Olson, it was finally concluded that each will build separately. The Masons will construct a one story brick temple on the east side of the old location where the building burned last week and Mr. Olson will build on the west side, the dividing wall to be used by each.

Lt. Herbert J. Fahy, 30, died at Mercy Hospital from injuries incurred when his plane struck a stump at the Cliff Durant Estate landing field near Roscommon. Fahy was a former army flier and holder of the world's solo endurance record.

Alfred Herman has been promoted to district manager of the Eureka Vacuum Cleaner Co, headquartered in South Bend, Indiana.

Mrs. Maurice Gorman entertained the graduate nurses at her Wednesday evening. Sewing was the order of the evening.

For the pleasure of her little son, Alfred, Mrs. Carl Hanson entertained 16 tots in honor of his fifth birthday.

92 Years Ago May 2, 1907

R. Hanson went to Louisiana last week to assist Judge Sharpe in straightening out the titles to the land of the Grayling Lumber Co.

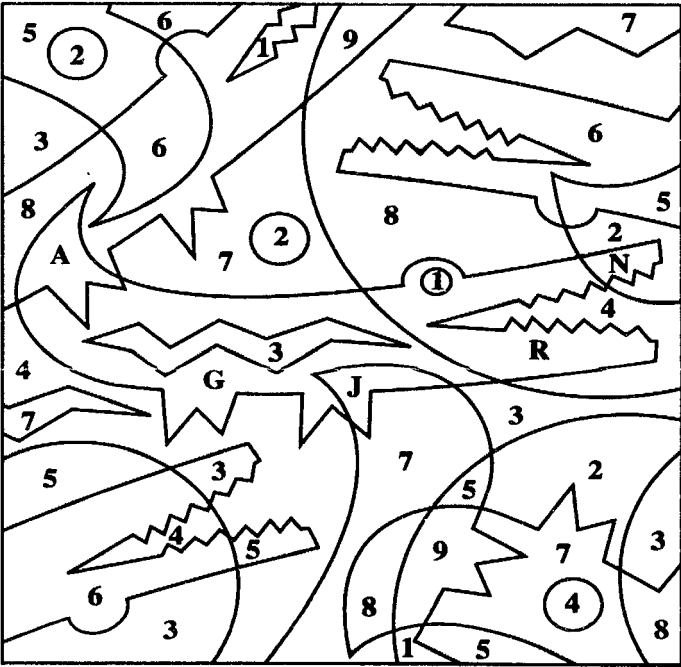
The shingle mill in Lovells is running with a full crew.

Mrs. Laura E. Moon received first premium on the best 10 ears of corn.

There are several changes in the saloon of the village. Hanson has closed the Burgess place. Foreman takes the Rasmussen place on the corner and John Larson his place on Cedar Street. Ed Sorenson the Central Hotel and Pearsall has moved into the McLeod place.

Ralph Hanna of Beaver Creek has just finished making maple syrup. There are 47 pupils at the present time in the Beaver Creek school.

Axel Christenson came home from camp last week with la grippe.



Color in each space that contains a letter.



WEATHER

Courtesy of the City of Grayling



Date	H	L	8 a.m.	Rain
4/21	53	27	37	
4/22	56	37	40	0.03"
4/23	49	36	36	
4/24	50	19	27	
4/25	57	23	37	
4/26	66	37	47	
4/27	71	27	34	

Extended Forecast courtesy of the U.S. Weather Service in Gaylord: Thursday - dry with a high of 60 to the low 60's. Friday - dry with a low in the low to mid 30's, a high in the mid to upper 60's. Saturday - dry with a low of 35 to 40 and a high in the upper 60's to 70.

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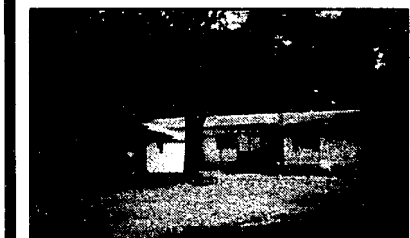
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HILLSIDE 3 1/2 acres of hardwoods and majestic white pines. 210' frontage on Old 27, and 976 S.F. PWS enclosed front porch, addition in rear (prior beauty salon), detached garage, deck, swimming pool. Immediate occupancy. \$62,500 CH-948



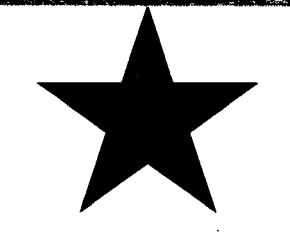
VERY WELL MAINTAINED mobile home with 2 nice additions. 3 bedrooms, sunroom and large foyer. Dining room offers bay window & built in hutch. Bath offers double vanity. Appliances include stove, refrigerator, washer and electric dryer. 24x26 detached garage with remote door opener, has front & rear entrance for snowmobiles also a 21x12 basement. Adjoining state land. Great Recreational Getaway! \$49,000 CS-787



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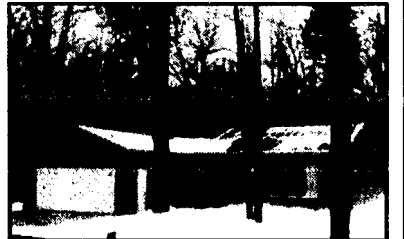
RENTAL INVESTMENT OPPORTUNITY! Unit #2 has 4 bedrooms, 2 full baths with living room, kitchen, formal dining room and sun room. Unit #1 has 1 bedroom, living room, kitchen & dining room combination and 1 bath. 2 car garage, natural gas, city water & sewer. \$49,500 CS-957



AUSABLE RIVER EAST BRANCH APPROX. 500' FRONTAGE. 1,750 sq. ft., 4 bedroom log home with beamed knotty pine vaulted ceiling in living room and kitchen. Split stone fireplace, 9' doorwall onto deck of master bedroom. Screened in porch with excellent view of river, bunk house, 2 car attached garage and bridge across river. Additional acreage available. \$139,500 CH-855



225' ON THE FAMOUS MANISTEE RIVER. Beautiful 3 bedroom, 2 bath with full finished basement with family room. Central air. New sunroom with view of gorgeous Manistee Riverfront. Leaded glass hexagon window in master bath along with 3 closets. Large Anderson windows for maximum view. Volcanized walkway circling the right side of house leading to river. Appliances include refrigerator, stove, Magic-Chef washer & dryer. Attached 2 car finished garage. Also includes 2 storage sheds with above storage, electric and water. \$175,000 CS-956



SHERWOOD FOREST - Exceptional location and value. Beautiful hardwoods on this large parcel. Split rail fencing. Home offers over 1,300 sq. ft., 3 bedroom, 1 bath, new vinyl siding and shutters. Large rear deck and natural gas HW baseboard heat. \$76,500 CH-902

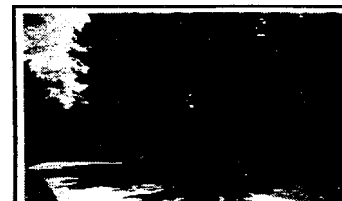
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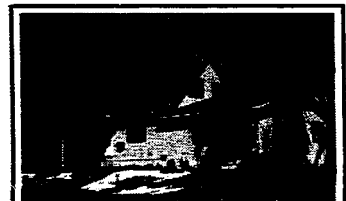
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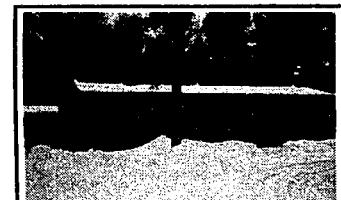
M-72 EAST is the location of this 3 bedroom mobile with roof over on 2 1/2 acres. Garage 24x40 plus a fish pond. Includes stove and refrigerator. \$47,900 (DL-1231)



AFFORDABLE LARGE FAMILY HOME. Look no further, this one has almost everything. 4 bedrooms, family room with a fireplace, country kitchen equipped with appliances, formal dining room, sun room/porch, 2 car garage with overhead storage room. Close to town. E-75, shopping and schools. \$99,999 (BSO-1257)



CLOSE ACCESS TO LAKE MARGRETHE with a shared dock. 5 bedroom home with a new addition in 1998. New roof, siding, well, septic & much more. A beautiful setting and home is in excellent condition. \$115,000 (LM-1249)



M-72 EAST is the location of this 2 bedroom home. Located in the heart of hunting, fishing and snowmobiling. L.P. gas heat and a wood stove. \$35,900 (SG-1214)



THIS 3 BEDROOM RANCH located on 2+ acres is an ideal starter home. Features include fenced back yard, 2x28 garage, and large deck for those nice summer evenings. \$32,500 (1051-KJLJ)



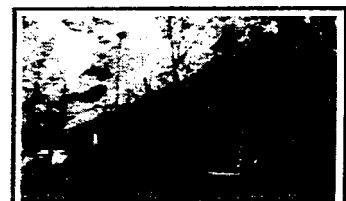
MODERN CABIN located just over 200' from the AuSable River "Holy Waters" with private access. 1 bedroom, bath, enclosed porch and a storage building. \$42,900 (DL-1192)



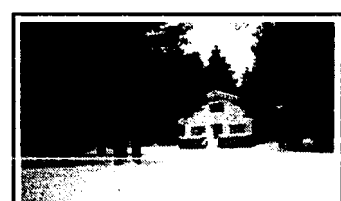
FULL LOG HOME with 210' frontage on AuSable Canal. Insulated and lighted black crawl with cement floor. 24x24 pole barn and 10x10 shed. Beautiful cedar trees cover front yard. Double lot. Kitchen has oak Merillat cabinets. All appliances included. Beautiful view. \$112,000 (JW-MW-1136)



HOME ON 7.5 ACRES. Three bedroom home features two baths, vaulted ceilings, wood stove hearth, thermopane windows throughout, washer/dryer included. Two story garage with plenty of storage, curbside trash removal, private road and nestled among an enchanted forest. \$29,900 (CS-1220)



FARM HOME ASSUMABLE, 4 bedroom modular, 1 block from Lake Margrethe with lake access. Reduced to \$58,500 (TV-1154)



GREAT LOCATION close to AuSable River main stream & South Branch, state land, Wakeley Lake and snowmobile trail. 3 bedroom home with fireplace and 2 1/2 car garage. 10 wooded acres with lots of deer & turkeys. \$75,900 (DL-1177)



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1. Real Estate



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2. For Rent

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3. Employment

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RESIDENTIAL CARE AIDS North Central Community Mental Health is seeking individuals to provide care for adults with developmental disabilities in a group home in Grayling. Rewarding work environment with staffing ratios of 1:3 or less. Starting wage is \$7.11 hr. Increase to \$7.78 hr., once paid in-service training program is successful completed. Potential for promotion to full-time with excellent fringe benefit package. Applicants must have proof of high school diploma/equivalent, reliable transportation, and a working home telephone. Must pass physical requirements, and have acceptable driving and criminal record checks. To apply, call Beth, Monday through Friday, 8 a.m.-4 p.m. at (517) 348-2461. EOE (-22-29/3)

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SCHEER MOTORS in Grayling has an opening for a highly motivated Service Advisor. Mechanical and computer experience helpful. Pay is very competitive including paid vacations. Blue Cross insurance and 401K retirement plan. Must have a valid drivers license. If you enjoy working with the public this job is for you. Please stop by our Service Department and pick up an application. No Phone Calls Please! (4/22/99tf/3)

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SUPERIOR FINISHERS is hiring plasterers and laborers. Must be hard working, reliable and have transportation. We pay up to \$16 per hour with health insurance. Call (517) 348-3302. (-22-29-6-13/3)

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3. Employment

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PUBLIC NOTICE**PUBLIC INFORMATION MEETINGS ON PROPOSED INLAND COLDWATER TROUT REGULATION CHANGES**

The Michigan Department of Natural Resources (MDNR) is in the process of reviewing and revising statewide recreational fishing regulations for inland trout lakes and streams. This process includes a forum to provide information and receive input from the public. The following meetings will be held for this purpose. Information packets on the proposed regulation changes are available at the MDNR field offices in Grayling and Mio, or by calling 517-348-6371.

CITY	DATE	LOCATION	TIME
Grayling	Thursday, May 6, 1999	Crawford AuSable H.S. Auditorium	7 PM
Mio	Thursday, May 13, 1999	Mio Community Center	7 PM
Oscoda	Thursday, May 20, 1999	AuSable Township Hall - US 23	7 PM

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8. Announcements

PIE AUCTION On May 2, 1999 the Michelson Memorial United Methodist Youth Group will hold a Pie Auction from 4-6. Entertainment by the youth. Pie donations are appreciated. PS: The "Jagg" will take a pie in the face when we've earned \$1,000. (-15-22-29/8)

THE GRAYLING AREA CHAMBER of Commerce is now accepting applications for a food vendor for the AuSable River Festival Fine Arts & Crafts Show. The applicants must agree to pay a minimum of \$300 or highest bid, to the Chamber of Commerce. Please send a written proposal to: Chamber of Commerce, P.O. Box 406, Grayling, MI 49738. Proposals must be received by the Chamber before May 15, 1999. (-22-29/8)

GRAYLING HIGH SCHOOL Key Club will be holding a "Topless" Car Wash. Saturday, May 1, from 10:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m. at 7-Eleven (proceeds benefit the GHS Key Club) (-29/8)

ATTENTION: The Grayling Ladies Aux Eagles will be holding an election on May 6th from 4 p.m.-7 p.m. For Vice President and Delegates (2). Meeting to follow at 7 p.m. (-29-6/8)

SOUP/SANDWICH/SALAD/DESSERT luncheon Thursday, May 6, 11 a.m.-1 p.m. Take out available. \$4.50 per person. All are welcome. Michelson United Methodist Church on Michigan Ave. (-29/8)

NORTHERN ONTARIO FISHING Walleye, Northern, Perch, Speckled Trout. Six days of fishing for as little as \$215 U.S. Call Earl. 1-705-239-2736. (LR5/27/99/8)

DJ KARAOKE at the Sawmill. Friday and Saturday, 9-1. (-29/8)

THAT VACATION CABIN OR HOME can always be found in the Avalanche For Rent Classifieds 102 Michigan Avenue, Grayling - (517) 348-6811

STARTING MAY 5 Wednesday's will be Steak Night at the Sawmill. 6 oz. Sirloin with fries, salad, roll for \$4.99. Serving from 4 p.m.-9 p.m. (-29/8)

COME EARLY TO SPIKE'S Friday night fish fry. Serving from 4 - 10 p.m. All you can eat just \$6.95. Kids portion also available. (7/30/98tf/8)



McLean's Hardware

Congratulations to Todd Whitcher winner of the gas grill at our 25th anniversary celebration.

9. Personals

Happy 50th Birthday "Yannie Yoklie"



Love, Annie & Jessie



Look Who's Turning "10" **HAPPY BIRTHDAY MEGAN**

Love - Mom, Dad & Brandon

HAPPY BIRTHDAY BILLY
Love - Mom & Sarah

10. Garage Sales

GARAGE SALE Utility trailer 4' x 6', Beanie Babies, office chairs, pine cabinet, Bear Compound Bow, trout flies, wooden butter bowl and paddle, brass kerosene lamp plus much more. One mile east of I-75 on North Down River Rd., Friday and Saturday, 9-5. (-29/10)

ST. JOHN LUTHERAN CHURCH Annual Rummage Sale, Friday, April 30, 9 a.m.-4 p.m. Saturday, May 1, 9 a.m. to noon. \$3 Per Bag Sale Saturday. Looking forward to seeing everyone. "Happy Spring" (-29/10)

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11. Automotive

1946 WILLY'S JEEP Runs good. \$600 Weekends call (517) 344-0027 (-29/11)

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AUTO FINANCING Don't pre-judge your credit. If you have one year on the job or three years continuous and gross at least \$1,300 per month we may be able to help. For confidential phone interview please call John Brorby 1-800-516-1212. (-22-29/11)

FOR SALE 1988 Ford pickup with cap, 300, six cylinder, five speed overdrive. Air, cruise, new tires. \$2,700 after 6, (517) 348-4694. (-29/11)

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HELP WANTED HINTS When placing a Help Wanted Classified, remember to list the job title and duties involved, whether it is full or part time, the name of company or business, mailing address for resume, or street address for walk-in applications. Crawford County Avalanche, 102 Michigan Avenue, Grayling - (517) 348-6811

'96 CHEV MONTE CARLO Z-34. Black, loaded, leather interior 40,000 miles, excellent condition. \$14,000 or best offer. (-29/11)

'95 CHEVROLET SILVERADO 4 x 4 Short box regular cab. 5.7 liter auto black, loaded with Western Union unimont prow. Excellent condition. 39,000 miles, \$16,500 or best offer. (517) 348-3904 (-29/11)

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